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March 4th 1733/4 then Samuel Doane jun. sworn assessor
8 then Samuel Freeman jun. & William Paine sworn Town and precinct assessors William Knowls sworn surveyer of fence
4 Edward Knowls sworn Town & precinct Treasurer
Samuel Higgins & William [illegible] jun. sworn surveyer
Ebenr. Higgins sworn sworn fence viewer
Nathaniel Higgins sworn hogrieve
6 Joseph Mayo & Richard Sparrow sworn Constable
13 Nathaniel Roger took the Tythingmans oath
April 1: 1734 then Ralph Smith took the oath of surveyer
September 24: 1735 then Thomas Holbrooke took the Constables oath

March 8: 1735/6 then Samuel Doane jun. & Joshua Higgins jun. sworn Town & precinct assessors
then Jeremiah Smith jun. sworn surveyer
then Jonathan Doane sworn fence viewer
then Joseph Mayo sworn hogrieve
Then Edward Knowles sworn precinct Treasurer
Then John Atwood sworn tythingman

March 10: 1735/6 then Christian Remick took Tythingmans oath
15 then Isrell Cole took assessors oath for Town & precinct
April 19: 1736 then Robert Young sworn hogrieve
22 Joshua Treat sworn Tything man

November 22 1736 then Nathaniel Mayo took surveyers oath

March 7th 1736/7 then Jonathan Smith was sworn surveyer of ways
then Edward Knowles was sworn Town & precinct Treasurer
then John Freeman & Samuel Doane jun. was sworn assessors for Town & precinct &c.
9 ~~then~~ John Tayler took the constables oath
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then William Paine took the oath of flax surveier
then James Roger took surveiors oath for ways
12 then Robert Young took hogreeves oath
then Samuel Freeman jun. took the assessors oathe for Town & precinct assessors
then Christian Remick took constables oath

September 18: 1740 then Thomas Paine Esqr took Town Clerks oath for [illegible]

March 14: 1742/3 then William Lewes took Constables oath
22 then John Freeman took assessors oath
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April 1743 then Jonathan Doane took the assessors oath

July 27 1744 then George Br[illegible] was sworn to the office of Constable

At the same meeting (viz) december ye 18th 1699
The Town voted that no person or persons whatsoever shall for the future cut any wood or brush that growes between the land of Josiah Cooke ~~[illegible]~~ and the land of Thomas Mulford and the Bank from the slash to the lower end of sd Mulfords land in the nooke on such penalty as the law provides for cutting of wood on another mans land to be recovered by due process of law by any of the Towns men of Eastham

At a townmeeting in Eastham febuary ye 9th 1710/11 it was voted that the prohibition of cutting trees between ye slash by Josiah Cooke senr and the water side down to ye nook below Mulfords land as it was granted and prohibbited at a Town meeting in Eastham December ye 18th 1699 be sent up to ye Court of quarter Sessions for approbation
These above written are both true coppies taken out of ye bookes of acts & orders of ye Town of Eastham march ye 26th 1711

Attest John Paine Town Clerk

Barnstable ss

At the Court of Generall Sessions of ye peace holden within and for the County of Barnstable on ye 5th of april 1711 the Court did alow & approve of ye within written Town order or by-law attest Wm Bassett Clerk
A true Coppie Recorded being transcribed from the originall may ye 17th 1711

p Jno Paine Town Clerk

A liſt of the preſent Townſmen of Eaſtham Febuary 1707/8

Major John Freeman
* Mr Samll Treat
X Joſeph X Harding X
* Deacon Samll Freeman
John X Banges
* ~~mr John Doane Sen~~
Jonathan Higgins Sen
X Danll Doan X
* John Rogers
John Cole Sen
~~Lieut Joſhua Banges~~
Joſiah Cooke Sen
Joſeph Snow
* Samll Paine X
Capt Thomas X Paine
Capt Samll Freeman
Iſrael Cole
* Nathanll Mayo X Sen
Lieut ~~Enſign~~ Edmond Freeman
Titus Wixam
William Walker
Thomas mayo Sen
Samll Mayo Sen
* James X ~~Mayo~~
John Sparrow
Samll Knowles Sen
Joſeph Merrick
* Timothy Cole Sen
Joſhua Hopkins
Iſaac Pepper
X Joſeph young X
John Paine
Thomas Smith ~~Sen~~
X Conſtant X Freeman X
* Nathanll atkins +
Danll Cole Junr
X Thomas X Mulford X
X Joſiah X Cooke Junr X
Joſeph Doan Esqr
Icabod Higgins
Joſeph atkins
Jonathan Higgins Jur
Jonathan Sparrow
George Brown Sen
Robert young
Jabez walker
Nicholas Paine
John Cole Junr
3 John Doan ~~Sen~~ Esqr
Iſaac Doan
Barnabas Wixam
* Daniel Mayo
Samll Mayo Junr
Danll atwood
X Thomas Cole

Thomas Cole X
Maziah Harding
Joſiah Harding
Jonathan Linnell
Benjamin Snow
William Twining
Nathanll Freeman Esqr
James Rogers
Iſrael Doan
John Mulford
Richard Sparrow
Micajah Snow
David young
Joſeph Cole
John Knowles
George Shaw
David Doan
Joſeph Rogers
Iſaac Higgins
Thomas Mayo Junr
Theophilus Mayo
Samll Doane
Richard Cooke
John Collens
Thomas Doan
William Brown
X Nathanll Harding
Abiah Harding
Joſeph Collens Junr
X Caleb Cooke X
John witherel
Joſeph atwood
Samuell Knowles Junior
Nathaniel Mayo Junior
Samuell Harding
John Smith
Nicholas Snow
Eliſha Higgins
Beniamen Cooke

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29
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at Eastham
July 22 : 1741 then Received of Elisha young Skiper of a Porpoise voyage with
a porpoise Net in the Imploy of William Paine Esqr the midle part of fifty 50 porpoise tailes caught this year 1741
by me Joseph Doane Townclerk

January 26 : 1741/2 then Skiper Elisha young gave oath to the
truth of sd porpoise tailes before me Joseph Doane Townclerk

November 5th 1741 then Received of Benjamin Small Skiper of a
Porpoise voyage In the Imploy of William Paine Esqr the midle part of
seven Porpoise tailes & gave his oath that the same were taken by him & company
with their Porpoise net entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk
in this year 1741

December 21 : 1741 then Isaac mayo of Eastham Skiper of a porpoise voyage in
the Imploy of William paine of Eastham Esqr brought in to me town clerk of
that Town of Eastham the midle part of 106 porpoise tailes & gave his oath that
that the sd 106 midle part of porpoise tailes were by him & company caught in their
porpoise net in the Imploy of sd William Paine Esqr in the ~~this~~ year 1741
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

January the 28 : 1741/2 then Skiper Thomas Smith of Truro brought into
me 47 midle part of Porpoise tailes & upon his oath declered thay ware the midle
part of 47 porpoise tailes by him & company taken with their porpoise net in the
Imploy of William Paine Esqr the last sumer & fall
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

March 15 : 1741/2 then Skiper Joshua Knowls brought into me the midle part of
17 porpoise tailes & gave his oath that they were the midle part of 17 porpoise tailes
by him & company taken with their porpoise net in the Imploy of William Paine Esqr
in the sumer & fall last past entred by me Joseph Doan Town Clerk
Certificates for all the above have been duly given

April 27th 1742 then Skiper Richard Walker of Eastham in the County of Barnstable brought
into me Joseph Doane Town clerk of sd Town of Eastham the midle part of 124 porpoise
tailes and gave oath bonafide before me that they were the midle part of sd 124 porpoise
tailes taken by him & his Company in their porpoise net in the Imploy of William Paine
of sd Eastham in the latter part of the last year 1741 which sd midle part of sd porpoise tailes
have been burnt & consumed by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

Memorandom in the year of our Lord 1706 Mr Samuell Knowles Served
the Town of Eastham as their Representative at a Sessions ~~in may from~~ of
the Great and Generall Court wch began the twentyninth day of may 1706 untill
the Second day of July next which time he Served Gratis according to his promise
to the Town of Eastham. Entred p John Paine Cler

July 15th 1798.

August the 20th 1741 then Silvenis Cole of Eastham gave in to me in writing under
his hand that in the morning of sd day he took up one Ram sheeps going at large contrary
to law in sd Eastham being a horned Ram of a white Coler - earmarked a crop off the
Right ear & a crop off the top of the left ear & a half peny cut out each side of the
said left ear the oner not known & that he took up sd Ram going at large neer the south
meeting House in sd Eastham. entred & Recorded by me Joseph Doane Town clerk
and the same has been accordingly posted up at my dore of my Dwelling house
& here entred - by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

September the 16th 1741 then Ephraim Cook of Eastham gave in to me in
writing under his hand that he that day took up two white Rams going at
large in Eastham contrary to Law one of which is ear marked a half crop
off the under side the neer ear & a slit in the top of the off ear the other ear
marked two half penies cut out of the upper side the Right ear & the same
has been posted up at the Door of my Dwelling house as the law directs and
here entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

September 24: 1741 then Epraim Cook of Eastham gave in to me in writing under his
hand that hee had took up a white Ram going at large in Eastham contrary to law
eare marked a crop off the Right ear & a half peny under the same ear the
oner not known & the same has been posted up at my Door of my Dwelling house
as the law directs & here entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

April 30th 1742 then Skiper William Mayo of Eastham in the County of Barnstable
brought in to me Joseph Doane Town clerk of sd Town of Eastham 17 middle part of
porpoise tailes & then gave oath bona fide before me that they were the midle part of 17
X porpoise tailes by him & Company taken in their porpoise net in the Imploy of William Paine
of Eastham Esqr som time the last sumer 1741 which sd tailes were accordingly burnt &
consumed by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

May the first 1742 then Skiper Prince Doane of Eastham in the county of Barnstable brought in to me Joseph Doane Town
clerk of the Town of Eastham 170 middle part of Porpoise tailes & then gave oath
bona fide that they were the middle part of 170 porpoise tailes by him & his company
X taken in their porpoise net in the latter part of the last year past 1741 in the Imploy
of William Paine of sd Eastham Esqr which sd Porpoise tailes were burnt & consumed
by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

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At a Town Meeting in Eaſtham on the 11th day of march 1705/6

The Town made choice for Town Clerk — John Paine

— for Select men — { Joſeph Doan
Samuel Mayo Senr
Nathanll ffreeman

for men to have a negative vote in diſpoſing of land { capt ffreeman
Saml Mayo Senr
Joſeph Doan
Samll Paine
John Paine

For Conſtable mr Iſaac Pepper

For ~~[illegible]~~ Town Treaſurer — Joſeph Doan

For Tithing men Joſiah Cooke Senr and Joſeph Higgins

For Surveighors of Highways Daniel Cole and Iſrael Doan

For fenc veiwers Samll Knowls Senr John Sparrow and Thomas Cole

For pound keeper Jeremiah Smith Senr

For Granjurymen Eliſha Edward Mozziah Harding

For to serve on the Jury of tryalls at Barnſtable Danll Cole & Thomas Cole

At a Town meeting in Eaſtham on the Eleventh day of march 1705/6 at the Requeſt of mr Ebenezer White the Town voted that if the ~~sd~~ Ebenezer White shall and doth in some reaſonable time provide and send down another School-maſter to serve the Town the time that he engaged for which is one year from the fifth day of Novomber laſt af ter the rate of twenty pounds pr annum that then the Town will diſ charge sd mr White from his Ingagement provided sd Schoolmaſter be such a one as the Town shall accept of

At a Town meeting march the 11th 1705/6 granted to the propriators be longing to the great medow liberty to fence acroſs at ye mouth of ye sd Great meadow where they shall Judg moſt convenient to prevent horſes and cattle from coming up into sd medow

At a Town meeting march ye 11th 1705/6 The Town made choice of Samll Knowls capt Samuel ffreeman and Richard Higgins for a committe in the Towns behalf to diſcourſe with the propriators of Samſons Iland in or der to exchange it with the Town that see sd Samſons Iland may be kept and reserved for a place to paſture rams on which committe are to make re town ~~of~~ to ye Town of their proceedings ~~this~~ ~~[illegible]~~ in ye premiſes on the 25th day of this in stant march unto which day this meeting is adjourned

at a Town meeting begun march the 11th 1705/6 and continued by adjourn ment to munday the 25th of march the Town made choice of Jedediah Lumber Junior for Conſtable for the following year

March the 25th 1706 The Town meeting on the 11th of march 1705/6 being adjourned to this day met and ~~and~~ the committe chosen on sd 11th of march to discourse and Treat with the propriators of Samsons Island in order to exchange it with the Town to be kept for a place to preserve Rams on made returne to the Town of their proseeding as followeth

In order and with reference to what was committed by the Town to our trust wee the committe chosen by the Town to discourse with the propriator of Samsons Island in order to exchange it with the Town for the conveniency of a pasture for rams we the sd committe having discoursed with sd propriators and with Jn Paine in especial manner being the principle propriator of sd Island and have brought matters relating thereunto to this maturity (viz) that the Town shall Grant to John Paine or his order about six or seven acres of up land about ~~Tonset~~ ~~between the~~ between the land of Daniel Cole Senior and ye pond called the milponds and that the Town shall alsoe grant to sd Paine or his order seven Acres of land somewhere near the ~~houses~~ of Joseph Higgins and Elisha Higgins where the negative men shall Judge convenient and that the Town Grant to Jonathan Higgins Junior about two acres and two thirds of an Acre of upland adjoyning to his land near his dwelling house and that the Town Exchange the land which now belonges to Jonathan Joseph and Elisha Higgins lying in pochy where the house of Jonathan Higgins Senior formerly stood giving to them as much land across the upper end of the land of Jonathan Linnel where sd Linnels house now is and alsoe that the Town Grant to John Paine somewhere about his lands near near his house soe much land as having a due regard to quantity and quality shall be in the Judgment of the negative men with the consent of sd Paine with the forementioned parcels of land a sufficient satisfaction to sd Paine for his land at Samsons Island which is about twenty Acres. And that sd John Paine shall Give to the Town a legall conveiance of his rite on sd Island only the Town allowing sd Paine to sow flax and oats on sd Island this present year what he shall see ~~cause~~ convenient not exceeding four Acres and that the rest of the propriators ~~who~~ of sd Island who ~~[illegible]~~ are willing to exchange their sd land with the Town shall have land granted and laid out to them by the Towns order adjoyning to their other land or where the Negative men with the consent of the party concerned shall Judg convenient having a due regard to the quantity and quallity of the land exchanged that soe they may make an Equal Exchange thus far we have proseeded in order to what was committed to us and present it to ye Towns consideration

Samuel Freeman
Samll Knowles

The above sd Town meeting march the eleventh 1705/6 being adjourned to ~~[illegible]~~ the 25 day of march Currant the Town then met ~~and~~ and the comitte apointed by the Town march ye 11th made the above sd returne of their proseedings to ye Town and the Town then voted their aprobation of the ~~same~~ and in order to the confirmation and confirming thereof ordered and voted That the men appointed by the Town to have a negative vote in disposing of land within sd Town shall forthwith lay out land to John Paine and the rest of the propriators of Samsons Island according ~~to ye~~ to contents of ye above written vote and returne of sd committe and cause what land they lay out on that account to be committed to record and to take in the Towns name and behalf Legall conveighances for ye land at Samsons Island of ye propriators thereof and the land they soe lay out shall be granted in ye Towns name and being approved by the major part of sd negative men ~~shall~~ be committed to record

Recorded p Jo Paine Town Clerk

At a town meeting on the thirtieth day of April 1706 The Town made choice of mr Samuel Knowles to serve as their Representative at the Generall Court at Boston this following year

at the Same meeting the Town made Choice of Joseph Merrick for apound Keeper for this year

At a Town Meeting in Eastham on the thirtieth day of ~~May~~ April 1706 The Town by vote Granted to mr Samuel Knowles to Injoy and Inherit to his heirs and assigns for ever as his and their proper Rite & priviledge for ever The priviledge of Shutting up his Gates and fencing his land about his homestead (or land lying near his now dwelling house) after the Same maner and with the Same Condition In all respects & to all Intents and purposes as it is and was Granted to him (in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and four on the eighth day of may) for the Space of ten years as doth or may appear upon Record. So that the grant then made to sd Knowles only for and during the Space of ten years is now hereby continued and confirmed to him his heirs and assigns to have hold and Injoy forever Recorded p John Paine Town Clerk

for which he promises to serve the Town the first Sessions of ye Generall Court at Boston as their Representative Gratis

At a Town meeting in Eastham June ye 24th 1706 the Town made choice of Joseph Collens Senior and Joseph Doane to serve on the Jury of tryals at the next Court of quarter Sessions at Barnstable

At a town meeting on the 12th day of August 1706 It was voted that there should be a rate or Tax of thirty six pounds made and sett on the rateable Estates of the inhabitants of the Town of Eastham and Districts thereof for the defraying of the County tax set on sd Town by the Justices at the quarter Sessions in July last and to pay their Representative for Serving at the Generall Court which money is to be gathered and received at the Rate of eight Shillings pr ounce troy

At a Town meeting in Eastham August the 12th 1706 It was then voted that the Select men or assessors forthwith make a rate or Tax of Sixty and Seven pounds to be Collected and paid at ye rate of eight Shillings p ounce Troy. Sixty five pounds whereof is for the defraying mr Treats Sallary according to Town agreement and two pounds towards Town charges

At the Same meeting (viz) August ye 12th 1706 The Town made choice of capta Thomas Paine for an assessor to Joyn with the Select men of this Town in making the lists of the Province and Town assessments

At a Town meeting in Eastham August the 12th 1706 the Town Granted to Samuel Mayo Junr aparcel of trees growing on aparcel of land lying to the northward of his now dwelling house at Billingsgate namely by all the trees growing on that parcel of upland bounded as followeth (viz) begining at the northern corner bound of his sd land from thence runing northerly eight pole from thence runing easterly paralel with the Range of his own land fourty pole and from thence eight pole Southerly to the bounds or range of his own land and from thence westerly by the range of his sd land to the first bound Specified

at the above sd Town meeting (viz) August ye 12th 1706 the Town accepted of Caleb Cooke for a Towns man

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 27th day of September 1706 the Town made choice of Josiah Cooke Senr and Saml Paine Senr to serve on the Jury of tryalls at Barnstable the following Court

At a Town meeting in Eastham march the 5th 1706/7

the Town chose for men to have a negative vote in disposing of land within the same ——
Tho mayo
Saml Paine
Samuell Freeman
Nathanl Freeman
John Paine

for Select men ——
Thomas mayo
Nathanll Freeman
John Paine
Thomas Mulfford
John Snow

for Constables —— John Knowles
Jedediah Lumber Jnr

for Town Clerk —— John Paine

for Town Treasurer Joseph Doan

for Tithingman John Mulford and Jonathan Linnel

for Grandjury men Israel Doan and Benjamin Smale

for men to serve on the Jury of Tryals Samuel Hoig and Edward Kinwrick

for fence veiwers John Cole Sr Jabez Snow and William Walker ——

for Surveighors of the Highways Samuel Mayo Senr & Thomas Cole

for Pound Keeper Joseph merrick ——

At the same Meeting (viz) march ye 5th 1706/7 The Town voted to Exchange the land laid out to Joshua Hopkins in way of Exchange for land at Samsons Iland which land lyes by the side of his field being about an Acre and to lay him out as much land about the house of Joshua Harding.

at a Town Meeting march ye 5th the Town voted that mr Ebenezer white should be Ingaged and imployed in the Towns service as a Schoolemaster for the Town for one year and a quarter after his present term is expired

march the 5th 1706/7 The Town made choice of John Sparrow Thomas Doan and
6 John Paine to draw up propositions to present to the Town in order to securing the wood on ye great Iland and Lieut Iland

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according to the above written Instructions of the Town the sd John Sparrow Thomas Doan and John Paine drew up the following propositions to propose to the Town of Eastham with reference to ye securing the wood on the Great Iland Lieut Iland at Billingsgate in sd Eastham

Wee propose that no person or persons other then such as are the naturall and allowed Inhabitants of this Town of Eastham or that have a legall rite and property therein and there unto shall be allowed or suffered to sit down on whalling voiages at the Great Iland or Lieutenants Iland at Billingsgate in sd Eastham but on the conditions here after mentioned (that is to say) that the harpeneer or steersman of every boats crew at their first coming to sit down as afore sd on either of sd Ilands shall either pay down or give security to pay to such man or men as ye sd Town shall nominate and appoint for said service two shillings pr head for every person not of the Town as afore sd which they have in their boats crew which sd money shall be for the use of sd Town to make satisfaction and compensation for their sitting down on sd Iland and for the wood they burn for firing in their houses on sd voiage and that every harpeneer or steersman not conforming to this order shall pay as a fine to sd Town twenty shillings and that effectuall care be taken that all persons that will not conform to this order shall and may be prosecuted as trespassers according to law for any wood which they shall cut on sd Ilands and all Indians that shall settle or sit down on sd Ilands shall be conformable to the same even as above sd and that an order be made to prevent any of the Town from supplying any foreigners as above said with wood and that no person whatsoever shall be excused from paying as afore sd by any of the Town under pretence of being their servants or otherwise excepting such as are bonafide bound to them by Indentures to serve an apprenticeship with them and not otherwise. And that the Town appoint a person and authorize him to take care of the premisses and alow him one quarter part of sd money for his [illegible] for the first two years voted at a Town meeting in sd Eastham April ye 9th 1707

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 19th day of may 1707 The Town made choice of mr Saml Knowles to serve as their representative at the Generall Court at Boston the following yr —— who being present accepted

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the nineteenth day of may 1707
the Town granted liberty to John Knowles to fence along the Bank from the
fence against Stutkash to the Southward till he comes within about six rod of
William Jennings land at Smithsneck and so down in to ye water for the space of
ten years

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the ninth day of June 1707 the Town
made choice of Joshua Hopkins and John Paine to serve on the Jury of tryals
at Barnstable the next July Court

at a town meeting in Eastham on the 21th day of July 1707 the Town voted
that the Select men should make a rate of one hundred and twenty pounds to be levied
on the poles and Estates of the Town of Eastham to defray mr Treats salary the County
rate of eleven pounds and eight shillings to pay the charge of a schoole master and other
nessessary and contingent town charges

at a town meeting on the twenty fourth day of September 1707 the Town
made choice of Nathanll ffreeman and Jonathan Higgins Jur ~~and~~ to
serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next Inferior Court

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the twentyfourth day of September
one thousand sevenhundred and seven the Town voted to give to mr Samll
Knowles Senr aparcel ~~two rod~~ of upland and swamp lying on the western side
of his lot of land at the head of Great Namskot that is to say to alow
him two rod wide the whole length of his sd land on the western side joyn
ring to sd land

Whereas Complaint is made of an errour in laying out the lot of meadow
which was granted to Caleb Hopkins in the Great meadow so that sd lot
is sd to be impaired and sd lot of meadow being now in the lawfull posses
sion of Thomas Rich of sd Eastham so that the dammage if any be falls
on sd Rich therefore to the intent that rite may in that matter take place
the Town at a Town meeting in sd Eastham did chuse and appoint capt
Samll ffreeman to surveigh sd lot and if he finds any errour on that
account to layout so much medow in some other place for sd Rich as
may be accounted a sufficient compensation for quantity and quallity to
make good sd dammage and to make returne to the Town of his doings
therein that it may be comitted to record according to order

at a Town Meeting in Eastham March the 22th 1707/8

The Town made choice of captn Samll ffreeman Thomas Mayo Senr Samll Paine
Samll Knowles and John Paine for men to have anegative vote in disposing
of land within sd Town for the ffollowing year

For Town Treasurer mr Joseph Doan.

For Town Clerk — John Paine

For Granjury-men Jonathan Sparrow & Samuell Higgins

For Constables Mr David Melvill & William Dyer

For Selectmen Captn Thomas Paine Thomas Mayo Senr Samll Cole
John Paine and Thomas Mullford

For Tithing-men Nathanll Mayo Senr and Josiah Cooke Jur.

To serve on the Jury of tryalls Edward Knowles and David Doan

ffor fence viewers Thomas Mullford Jeddediah Lumber Joseph Higgins
and Nathanll Mayo of Town

ffor Surveighers of the Highways Capt Thomas Paine Samll Paine
and Richard Higgins Jur

ffor pound Keeper John Merrick

at a Town Meetting in Eastham March ye 22th 1707/8
voted by the Town that mr Samll Knowles shall have all the upland that lyes between his
lot of land at the Head of Great Namskaket and the Meadow of Stephen Hop
kins Senior

at a Town Meeting in Eastham March ye 22th 1707/8 at the request of Samll
Hedge the Town voted to forgive sd Hedge his fine of ——— four pounds which was set
on him for selling wine and was due to the poor of the Town with this Condition that
he pay to George Shaw twenty shillings.

Granted to Captain Saml Freeman Lievt Joshua Bangs and Nicholas Paine (at a Town Meeting in Eastham March ye 22 1707/8) liberty to set a windmill on the hill above sd Nicholas Paine's gate

At the same Meeting (viz) March ye 22th 1707/8 granted to Joshua Harding liberty to set up a shop near his dwelling house on the same side of the highway as his dwelling house now stands

Voted at a Town Meetting in Eastham March ye 22th 1707/8 that the land formerly granted to William Smith should be exchanged soe as to lay his land more convenient to [illegible]

At a Town Meeting in Eastham aprill ye 5th 1708 The Town voted that the valuation of the estates of the Town of Eastham should be forthwith perfected according to the direction of an act of the Generall Court although the time therein prefixed be already past

At the Same Meeting viz aprill ye 5th 1708 The Town made choice of mr Samuell Knowles for a commissioner to joyn with the Selectmen or Trustees of the Town of Eastham in taking and Making a valluation of the Estates of sd Town and the Town also made choice at the Same Meeting of Capt Thomas Paine Thomas Mulford John Paine Thomas Mayo Senr and Daniell Cole to joyn with sd Commissioner in Making sd valluation

Whereas mr Samuell Knowles complains that he is damnified in his lot of medow in ye Greatmedow which he bought of mr Treat by other lots (viz) John Mulford and Maziah Harding being part of them laid out on sd Knowles his lot the Town therefore at a Town Meeting in Eastham on ye 5th day of April 1708 made choice of Capt Samuell Freeman and John Paine to view sd lot and of mr Knowles and to lay out to sd Mulford and Harding medow in some other place to make up sd Damage if any be or to lay out to mr Knowles medow to make up what he is damnified and what sd men do the Town engages to Establish and Confirm

At a Town Meeting in Eastham on the tenth day of May 1708 The Town made choice of mr Samuell Knowles for a representative to serve at the Generall Court which is to be held at Boston for Her Majesties Service who being present accepted

Granted to mr Samuell Knowles Senior at a town Meeting in Eastham may ye 10th 1708 liberty to shut up his Gates at the head of the Town Cove and enclose his land all round the head of sd Cove throughout the whole year he the sd Knowles quitting his claim to all the medow that is taken of from his lot of medow (which he bought of mr Treat in the Great medow) by several lots which by mistake were laid out by the Towns order to particular persons in the year [illegible] so that the true meaning and Intent of this Grant is that the sd Saml Knowles shall have hold and enjoy to him his heirs and assigns for ever all the common land of the Towns which ~~which~~ is enclosed by his fence as it now stands with liberty to shut up his gates as afore sd forever only allowing forever a foot way for people to pass through his sd land over the head of sd cove with convenient stiles and that the bounds of all the lots which do intrench upon his sd lot of medow which he bought of mr Treat shall for ever stand and remain as they are now upon record in the Town Book and those persons shall for ever possess and enjoy all the medow comprehended within sd bounds without molestation from sd Knowles his heirs or assigns forever

Whereas there is a necessity of a way through the southern end of the lot of land of Deacon Daniel Doane which lyes to the northeastward of his now dwelling-house to go to that neighbourhood towards Timothy Coles and John Coles and the sd Daniel Doan being willing somuch of his sd land as to leave a convenient way and to take up with as much at the western part of his sd lot as he leaves out on its southern part only reserving the wood and trees that grow on that part he leaves out to himself it is therefore Granted by the Town at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 10th 1708 that sd land shall be exchanged and that he the sd Deacon Doan leaving out a way at sd southern part of his sd land for a way he shall have as much allowed and laid out to him ~~at~~ sd western part of his sd lot where it may be most convenient

Granted by the Town of Eastham at a Town meeting on the tenth day of May 1708 To Isaac Pepper Daniel Cole the son of mr Daniel Cole Thomas Cole John Collins Samuell Doane Nathaniell Mayo Senr and Nathaniel Mayo the son of mr John Mayo all the trees that grow upon that point or Island of upland lying at Billingsgate commonly called Horings point on the southern side of Indian brooke for the preservation of their Medow from sand

At a Town Meeting in Eastham on ye fourteenth day of June 1708 The Town made choice of Joseph Collens Senr and Thomas Doane to serve on the Jury of Tryalls at the next Court of quarter Sessions to be holden at Barnstable

At a Town meeting in Eastham June ye 14th 1708 Granted to Samuell Paine liberty to set his dwelling house on ye Towns common land somewhere on ye western side of his land where he shall think most convenient

at a Town Meeting in Eastham august ye 2nd 1708 The Town voted to rays
[illegible] pounds on ye inhabitants of ye Town for the defraying the Towns [illegible]

Whereas there is [illegible] of money being raised in the Town for the paying the Towns
Proportion for the defraying County charges and for the [illegible] and defraying of the
[illegible] and contingent charges arising within sd Town it is ordered and voted by the
Town of Eastham at a Town Meeting on the Second day of august 1708 That the
Selectmen of sd Town do assess the inhabitants of sd Town and district them
[illegible] sums to so purpose for the ends and uses aforesd

Whereas the Town of Eastham have made orders and taken care to secure the wood
upon the Great Island and Lieut Island at Billingsgate and to cause those foreigners that come
to sit down on sd Island on whaling voyages to appear according to that to the end therefore that sd order and act of sd
Town may be prosecuted to effect according to the true intent of sd act and order the Town
at a Town Meeting in sd Eastham on ye 2nd day of august 1708 made choice of John Paine
to take care of that concern and to demand and to receive of all persons that according to sd order and obli
are to pay what money is by sd order due to sd Town and to use all manner of lawfull ways
to recover the same and what the sd Paine shall lawfully do with respect to ye premises
the sd Town doth hereby oblige them selves to ratifie and confirm and accept of as if done by ye
Town

at a Town Meeting in Eastham august ye 2nd 1708 the Town ordered the Select
men of sd Town to take care to procure a schoolmaster for the Town

at ye same Meeting viz august ye 2nd 1708 The Town voted that ye Selectmen
of Eastham should agree with a Collector to collect and gather that part of ye
publick Taxes or assessments which is mr Merrell part as Constable otherwise to pa
him

At a Town Meeting in Eastham on the 2[illegible] day of September 1708
The Town made choice of Ensign Edmond Freeman and mr Isaac
Pepper to serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next Inferior Court at
Barnstable

at a Town meeting in Eastham March ye 9th 1708/9 The Town made choice
for Town officers as followeth

viz } for men to have anegative vote in dissposing of land — } Sammell Paine
Samll Mayo.
John Doane
Danll Cole
John Paine

for Granjurymen —— } Thomas Rick
David Doane

at the above sd Town meeting (viz) march ye 9th 1708/9 The Town voted to chuse but three Select men for the following year and accordingly made choice of Thomas Mayo Danll Cole and Thomas Mayo but they being present would not accept of the charge — whereupon the Town proceeded to anew choice and chose Samll Mayo Senior mr Isaac Pepper ~~and~~ Richard Higgins Capt Thomas Paine and Thomas Mulford

for Constables the Town made choice of Joshua Higgins and Benjamin Smale

for Town Treasurer John Paine

for Town Clerk John Paine

for Tithing-men —— Hezekiah Covington and William Smith

for men to serve on the Jury of tryalls at Barnstable in april next Thomas Mayo Thomas Doane

for fence veiwers Sammell Paine Nathanll Mayo Junr and Joshua Hopkins

for Surveighors of the highways John Sparrow John Mulford and Joseph Atkins

for pound keeper Joseph Merrick ——

Granted to George Shaw three or four Acres of upland to be laid out to him in such place as the Major part of the men appointed to have anegative vote in dissposing of land in Eastham ~~[illegible]~~ shall judg most convenient

Granted to Saml Knowles Junr by the Town of Eastham at a Town meeting in sd Eastham March ye 9th 1708/9 To Exchang ten acres of [illegible] near the land of Major Freemans ~~and~~ to take up somuch in [illegible]tity and quallity at the discretion of the negative men about the said [illegible] lott

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Granted to Elisha Eldred about three acres of upland near his dwelling house at Billingsgate

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At a Town meet in Eastham May ye 11th 1709 The Town made choice of Jon[illegible] Pain to [illegible] for and Represent them at the Great and Generall Court at Boston

at the same meeting May ye 11th 1709 voted by the Town that they approve & accepted of the accompt made up with the Town Treasurer (mr Joseph Snow) by [illegible] Paine may ye 3d 1709

at a Town meeting in Eastham May the 11th 1709 voted by the Town of Eastham that they doe rest satisfied in what is done by the Justices of Plimouth and Barnstable Countys with reference to the altering the High-way above Bridges-River Bridge and demolishing sd Bridg

voted may ye 11th 1709 that Joseph Snow Esqr answer in the Towns behalf to ye Justices of ye Generall Sessions of ye peace at Barnstable with reference to ye Towns being presented for want of Schoolmaster at aprill Sessions 1709

allso at ye same meeting may ye 11th 1709 ~~that~~ the Town voted that ye Selectmen take speciall care to provide a Schoolmaster for the Town of Eastham with all expedition

Whereas mr Josiah Cooke hath laye claime to part of severall lotts of medo in ye Great meadow in Eastham which have been laid out by ye Towns order and Granted to perticular persons which claim of sd Cooke is Judged ~~[illegible]~~ Illegall and unjust yet notwithstanding the Town doth hereby Consent to leave the decision of that matter to Coll [illegible] Thatcher Esqr and Captn John Otis Esqr to determine and make a finall [illegible] of [illegible] matter that is to determine where and how the sd Cookes Bounds of his meadow [illegible] and where they shall terminate and do also hereby appoint mr Samll Knowles Junr to act as an agent for ye Town in that behalf voted at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 11th 1709

At a Town meeting in Eastham June ye 27th 1709 Barnabas Wixam and Josiah Harding were chosen to serve on ye Jury of tryalls at Barnstable at ye Court of Comon pleas

at a Town meeting in Eastham June ye 27th the Town renewed their grant of about three acres of land to Elisha Eldred

at a Town meeting in Eastham June ye 27th 1709 Granted to Samuell Mayo Senr William Twining Joseph Rogers and such others as shall Joyn with them to [illegible] fence along where the fence now stands from the land of John Sparrow to the [illegible] to the land which was formerly mr Edward Bangses to sd persons is granted the priviledge of sd land to dry hay on annually untill such time as this Town [illegible] otherwise

At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 27th 1709 ordered and voted that there be an assessment of one Hundred and thirty pounds be set on the Inhabitants of the Town and precincts of Eastham to be collected by ye Constables [illegible] and paid in to ye Town Treasurer or his order on or before the [illegible] next which is for the uses and purposes hereafter named [illegible] Treasurers Sallary to answer and pay the charges of the County for [illegible] the Representatives that serve the Town at ye Great and Generall Court [illegible] to allow and pay other necessary and contingent charges [illegible] and the Selectmen of ye Town are hereby ordered to assess sd sum [illegible] Inhabitants of the Town and precinct according to ye direction of ye Law in that [illegible] and to make return to the Town Treasurer of the exact sum which they [illegible] sd Town and precinct some time before the fifteenth day of September next

Entered pr Tho Paine Town [illegible]

At a Town meeting September ye 25th 1710 The Town made choice of John Knowles and Joshua Harding to serve on the Jury of tryalls the next Court ~~at Barnstable~~ of Common pleas and generall Sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable

At a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 21th 1709/10

The Town made choice for to serve on the Grand Inquest
this following year of Danll Mayo and Robert young
To serve on the Jury of tryalls the next Court } Capt John Doane
} Ensign Edmond Freeman

ffor Selectmen — } Samuell Mayo Senr
} Isaac Pepper
} Richard Higgins

ffor men to have a negative vote
in disposing of land — } Saml Knowles Senr
} Saml Paine
} Thomas mayo Senr
} Daniel Cole
} John ~~Paine~~

ffor Constable — Israel Doane

ffor Tithingmen — } Joseph Atkins
} William Twining

ffor Town Clerk — John Paine
ffor Town Treasurer — John Paine

ffor Surveighers of Highways — } John young
} Nathanll Doane
} George Brown Jur

ffor fence veiwers — } John Cole Junr
} William Walker
} Medad atwood

ffor pound Keeper — Joseph Merrick

at the above sd Town meeting march ye 21th 1709/10
it was voted by the Town of Eastham that the
Selectmen of ye Town should take care to build a new pound
some time this summer ensuing

At a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 21th 1709/10 voted that the
Town of Eastham will free the Inhabitants of Billingsgate (that is all
that live to the northward of Great-Blackfish-Crick from bearing any charge
in supporting the minister or schools-master within sd Town provided (and
so long as) they are provided with and support an orthodox preacher to dispense
the word of god unto them and keep a writing & reading [illegible]

at a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 21th 1709/10 Granted to mr Samuell
Knowles Senr liberty to exchange his land that lys by the ~~Cove~~ Town side on the South
East side of sd Cove being about five acres and to take up land in lieu thereof
at the head of the Cove on the northern side of the swamp which is in the line
formerly mr Treats

at the above sd Town meeting march ye 21th 1709 Granted (by the Town
of Eastham) liberty to John Smith to exchange his lot of land below ye
Highway and that parcell of land by his now dwelling-house and to take
up land in lieu thereof adjoyning to his other land towards Danll Smiths
at a Town-meeting in Eastham march ye 21th 1709
Granted to Victorias Snow about half an acre of upland at the head of Great Namskaket convenient to [illegible]
where the Negative men shall judg most convenient

At a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 26th 1710 being a meeting warned to consider and take care about dividing or laying out the Towns Common or undivided land and the Town at a Town meeting in Eastham ~~march~~ ye 26th 1710 having made choice of mr Saml Knowles Lievt John Doane mr Joseph Collens Senior mr Danll Cole Junr micajah Snow and John Paine for a comitte to draw up propositions referring thereunto accordingly at sd meeting march ye 26th sd Committe brought into sd meeting the return following which was then voted by the Town in ~~[illegible]~~ words as followeth (viz) In order to what was committed to us by the Town first we propose that there be four Acres apeice of the best of ye open or plain land granted by ye Town and laid out to every male person that is an alowed Inhabitant of this Town of Eastham and is now Arived to the age of twenty and one years and where the land is worse to be so much more laid out so as to make each ones alotment alike as near as may be for quantity and quality and that there be a Committe chosen by ye Town to lay out sd land as much as may be to the advantage or conveniency of each one who is to receive it and that this said land so laid out and approved by the major part of ye men appointed to have a negative vote in disposing of land within sd Town shall be Recorded to ye persons Respectively to whom it is Granted and laid out as a grant from ye Town of Eastham to them their heirs and assigns to have and to hold for ever as a free and absolute estate in fee simple. (by alowed Inhabitants we intend and mean all such male persons as are the natives of this Town ~~or that have been orderly taken into this Town and admitted to Town priviledges~~ being born therein of such parents as were the alowed Inhabitants of the Town or that have been orderly taken into this Town and admitted to Town priviliges) and where there is no plain or clear land to be had to lay out to such as live in some parts of this Town we propose that there be as much wood-land laid out conveniently to such so as to make their lots as good for quantity and quallity as the promised four Acres of land and if it be granted and confirmed as aforesd

At a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 26th 1710 the above written proposition relating to ye granting and laying out the plain or open land was voted

Attest John Paine Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham May ye 21th 1710 being warned to make further progress in laying out the Towns comon or undivided land it was then and there voted (at a very full meeting) that there should be four Acres of wood land granted and laid out to each proper tenement within this Town that is to say where there is a house and land belonging thereunto: And no more to any one Tenement or house-lot with a house or housing upon it exept it be where there is two distinct families in distinct sites upon one farm or tenement. and that there be six acres of wood-land laid out to each male person qualified as above said (that is to say) qualified as those which are to have ye four Acres of plain land) to be granted to them to have and to hold to them their heirs and assigns for ever. The said number of acres proposed is to be understood to be of ordinary wood land and so proportionably as the land may happen to be for quality having regard both to wood and soyle to be duely considered by the Committe that shall lay it out who are also to lay out sd lots of wood land as conveniently as may be to each neibourhood and to each person

Recorded p John Paine Town Clerk

at the above said meeting (viz) May ye 21th 1710 it was voted by the Town of Eastham that there shall be ten Acres of ordinary land laid out (and so proportionably as the land shall be better or worse) for to accomodate a minister at Pochy when there shall be ocation for one to settle there and the like quantity at Town where it may be thought most convenient for that use and the like quantity at Little Billingsgate which land shall be laid out by ye Comitte which the Town appoints to lay out other lands granted at ye same meeting and that there be ten Acres of woodland laid out and annexed to each of said lots which lots of land respectively are granted to be reserved for and set apart for the Benefit of and to accomodate the ministry and entailed to that use for ever and so to be improved when there shall be special ocation for setling a minister in either of those parts of ye Town and till then to ly and be improved as all other Common or undivided land within sd Town for the Benefit of grasing &c but the wood to be entirely reserved that it may grow to serve for the end designed

Recorded p Jno Paine Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 21th 1710 being warned to take futher steps towards the laying out the Towns Common or undivided land it was voted that the Great Iland at Billingsgate be divided into twenty four lots and the alowed Inhabitants of the Town (quallified as those to whom the four Acres of open land is to be laid ~~out~~ unto) proportioned equally to sd lotts and lots cast for it and so granted to said persons as their lots fall to have and to hold to them their heirs and assigns for ever and this to be done by the Committe who lay out the other lands granted by the Town of Eastham

Recorded p John Paine Town Cler

At said Town meeting may ye 21th 1710 The Town made Choice of Lievt John Doane Capt Saml ffreeman Joseph Doane Esqr John Young Mr Isaac pepper Thomas Doane John Knowles Jr John Cole Junr they or any four of them to be a Committe to lay out the Towns comon or undivided land according to Town order and vote and sd Committe to be alowed and paid four shillings p day for the time they nessessarily spend thereabout and that no person or persons to whom land is granted to be laid out by ye sd Committe shall have any land delivered or recorded to him or them till such time as they have paid their proper and respective proportions of the charg in laying out sd promised lands this was voted at ye above sd Town meeting

Recorded p Jno Paine Town Cler

At a Town meeting in Eastham June ye 25th 1711 The Town made choice of John Brown and Jonathan Linnell to serve on the Jury of tryalls at Barnstable the next Court

at ye same meeting the June ye 25th 1711 The Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr and Nathanll ffreeman Esqr for Agents they or either of them to answer in the Towns behalf to the Towns presentment in Aprill last for not having a sufficient pound

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At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 2nd 1711 being a meeting warned to hear the return of the Committe that was appointed to lay out the land granted by the Town at severall meetings in this present year sd Committe made report to ye Town that they had laid out the plain land granted by ye Town and it was then at sd Town meeting proposed to ye Town whether they did accept & approve of what they had done in regard to laying out sd plain land and it was then voted that they did accept and approve thereof

At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 2nd 1711 The town made choice of John Sparrow Jonathan Linnell and Danll mayo to be a Committe for sd Town to draw up what they think proper to be done with reference to severall persons who are not proper alowed Inhabitants of the Town of Eastham whether any lands more then what is already granted them by the Town shall be alowed and granted to them and if any then what and how much respectively and to make report thereof to the Town at the next Town meeting

Whereas in dividing the Great Iland at Billingsgate it so happens that there will be a necessity for persons to pass over each others lots of land to fetch wood and water to their whale houses it is therefore ordered concluded and voted by the Town of Eastham (before lots were drawn or given forth for sd Iland) it has as a condition of those Grants that there is free liberty Granted and each proprietor hath and hereby shall have free liberty to pass with carts over sd lots to cart wood or otherwise (as long as sd lots of land ly open or unfenced) to their houses or ~~[illegible]~~ Respectively and free liberty for ever to pass over any of sd lots to fetch water this was ordered concluded and voted at a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 2nd 1711

At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 23d 1711 The Town made choice of Mr Josiah Cooke senior for a moderator for sd day

At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 23d 1711 Granted by the Town and voted at sd meeting that Danll mayo shall have a parcell of medow laid out and Granted to ~~Danll mayo~~ him at Billingsgate about as much as will afford about three ~~[illegible]~~ load of hay to be cut on it annually and this to be laid out by the Committe appointed to lay out land in this Town this present year and this to be confirmed to sd Daniel Mayo in lieu of the lot of medow which was granted to him in the division of medows in the year 1703: provided sd Danll mayo quit his claim to sd lot of medow and return it to ye Town to lie as all other comon medow at a town meeting in Eastham may ye 22nd 1710 the Town made Choice of mr Samuell Knowles to serve as their Representative at the Great and Generall Court at Boston

at the Same Meeting (viz) may ye 22nd 1710 the Town voted to give unto Joseph Merrick the money which he Ingaged to pay for Indians that went in his Imploy a whalling at the great Island at Billingsgate in the years 1707 and 1708 which is about Sixteen Shillings

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 22nd 1710 granted to John Merrick about two or three Acres of up land Somewhere to the northward of Elisha Eldreds where it may not be prejudiciall to any perticular persons

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 22nd 1710 voted that the grant to John Smith on the other Side dated march ye 2th 1709/10 be alowed and made good to him dureing the term of his naturall life.

also at the Same meeting (viz) may ye 22th 1710 voted that the Selectmen take Care to layout a convenient way for Carts &c between the land of Maziah Harding and the medow ~~of~~ that was formerly Capt Sparrows to pass and repass down to the Sea and also to ye medow of perticular persons

at a Town Meeting in Eastham may ye 22nd 1710 The Town made Choice of mr Isaac pepper to be an agent for sd Town to demand and Receive of the respective persons that Sit down on whalling voiage at the great Island at Billingsgate the Respective Sum and Sums which are or shall become due to sd Town by vertue of a Town act and order bearing date may ye 19th 1707 and in the Towns Name and behalf to use all lawfull means to recover sd Towns dues of any person or persons from whom it shall become due to sd Town for which his Service he is to have the one quarter part of what he receives on that account this his agency to continue for the Space of two years from the date hereof

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at a ~~[illegible]~~ Town meeting in Eastham June ye 26th 1710 The Town made Choice of mr Israel Cole and mr John Knowles to serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next Inferior Court of Commonpleas to be holden at Barnstable

~~Whereas in the Grant and Settlement of the lands and medows of mr Samuel Treat pastour of ye Church of Christ in Eastham now in his possession~~

Whereas in the Grant and Settlement of the lands and medows now belonging to and in the possession of mr Samuell Treat pastour of the Church of Christ in sd Eastham which sd Grant beres date march ye 5th 1702/3 There is a reserve in these words. Only if the said mr Samuell Treat shall ~~[illegible]~~ leave the work of the ministry and remove out of Town then the Town have in that Case Reserved and do as a condition of this Grant Reserve to themselves this priviledg that they may purchase and sd mr Treat shall if the Town see cause sell the fore sd land and medow with the appurtenances to the Town againe at such a price as the Town and he shall agree or as Indifferent men shall Judg then to be a valluable price. which said Reserve being somewhat Greivious to the said mr Samuell Treat. The Town of Eastham at a Town meeting in sd Eastham ~~being~~ on the 26th day of June Anno dom 1710 voted that the above said Reserve be and hereby is for ever taken of and made null and void and that the said Grant in all the parts and paragraphs thereof shall be and for ever remaine good and vallid to the said mr Samuell Treat his Heirs and assigns for ever without any maner of reserve, condition whatsoever.

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Recorded pr Jno Paine Town Clerk

Whereas there was some uncertainty about the bounds at the lower end of the lot of medow belonging to Josiah Cooke senr in the Great medow on the western side and at the lower end of sd lot which lot was formerly Granted to his father mr Josiah Cooke deceased it is therefore granted by the Town of Eastham at a town meeting in sd Eastham June ye 26th 1710: and at the Request of sd Josiah Cook that the bounds between sd Cooks medow at sd lower end shall run from the dividend or mere bound betwixt the medow formerly Capt Sparrows ~~medow~~ and sd Cookes medow at the lower end Strait to the Stake at the edge of the Great Crick which is the northeast corner bound of the medow which was Granted to Elisha paine and is now in the possession of Thomas Rich and that the Town would alow to Thomas Rich as much for [illegible] and quallity in some other place as this Settlement takes of from his medow [illegible]

At a Town meeting in Eastham June ye 26th 1710 Granted to Samuell Brown three acres of upland on the northern side of Great Blackfish crick on this Condition that when the Towns Common land ~~[illegible]~~ in sd Eastham are divided this sd three acres of land shall be accounted and Esteemed as somuch of said Samuell Browns proportion or Share of sd Towns Commons as he should or ought otherwise to have had by any such division This was voted at the above sd meeting

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At a Town meeting in Eastham June ye 26th 1710 Granted (by the vote of the Town at sd meeting) unto Samuell Mayo of Billingsgate two necks of upland which is within his medow fence at sd Billingsgate in Compensation and Satisfaction for a parsell of medow which was Granted him by sd Town at the division of the medows in Eastham in July 1703: which medow lay near the beach at the mouth of that which is comonly called little river medow and is since destroyed by the beach and sand provided sd two necks of land be not Esteemed to much which if they be then to have so much as shall in the Judgment of the negative men be accounted a valluable satisfaction for sd medow

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At a Town meeting in Eastham June ye 26th 1710 Granted to mr Samuell Knowles Senior liberty to exchange about half an acre or an Acre of land taking it off from the northern end of the land which was lately exchanged and granted to him by sd Town by the head of the cove and to take up as much somewhere between the land of Thomas Rich and the Highway that goes to Harwich

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At a Town Meeting in Eastham June ye 26th 1710 Granted by vote of said Town unto Ensign Edmond Freeman liberty to exchange his medow lying about Blackfish crick-neck and to take up upland in lieu thereof at Billingsgate on the northern side of the Herring River so much as shall in the Judgment of the Negative-men be judged a Just and valluable compensation

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At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 25th 1710 The Town voted to ad five pounds to mr Treats Sallary making his yearly salary to be seventy pounds per annum for the future to be paid according to former promise and contract either in province Bills of credit or silver money at the rate that it passeth between man and man in ordinary payments mr Treat him self being present at said meeting declared that he would take up satisfied therewith

Attest John Paine Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 25 1710 voted by the said Town that the Selectmen make a rate or assesment of on hundred and thirty five pounds on the inhabitants of the Town of Eastham according to the direction of ye law and order and vote of ye Town and that they commit the list of sd assesment to ye Constable to collect and pay it in to the Town treasurer or his order in due time and season to answer the end for which sd money is raised which is as followeth (viz) to defray mr Treats Sallary to pay our Representative to defray the County charges that shall be set on us for the paying a schoole-master and other necessary and contingent charges arising within sd Town

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At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 25th 1710 voted that the Selectmen of this Town take Effectuall care to provide a schoolemaster for the Town as the law directs —

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the seventh Day of febuary 1710/11 the Town ~~[illegible]~~ voted to chuse a Committe to Consider of what may be proper with reference to dividing the Towns Commons and for redressing grievances as refering to the Comon or undivided land within sd Town and to make report to the Town the ~~next~~ Town meeting accordingly at the above sd ~~Town~~ meeting the ~~Town~~ made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr Edward Knowles Jabez Snow Richard Higgins and Thomas Doane for a Committe as afore said

At a Town meeting in Eastham febuary ye 9th 1710/11 Joseph Doane Esqr was chosen moderator for that meeting

At a Town meeting in Eastham febuary the 9th 1710/11 warned to consider of what method to take in preserving or disposing of the Towns Commons or undivided upland it was then voted that there should be a division of sd Commons if the Town could agree upon a proper method

At a Town meeting in Eastham febuary ye 9th 1710/11 it was voted that the prohibition of cutting trees between the flash ~~and~~ by Josiah Cooke Senior and the water side down to the necks below Mayos land as it was granted and prohibited at a Town meeting in Eastham December ye 18th 1699 be sent up to the Court of quarter Sessions for approbation

At a Town meeting in Eastham febuary ye 9th 1710/11 liberty is granted to Jo[illegible] Higgins to exchange the lot of land which he bought of Joseph merrick and to take up as much land in lieu on the south east side of the Town cove between his dwelling house and the cove joyning to the land of [illegible] [illegible] Snow

At a Town meeting in Eastham february ye 9th 1710/11 Granted to John Smith Senior a little peice of upland to set a house on and to make a tobacco yard somewhere between the wood lot of Deacon Danll Doane and the house of William Smith which land he is to have only during the term of his own and his wives naturall lives

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At a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 14th 1710/11 the Town made choise of Richard Sparrow and Josiah Harding for Grandjurymen for ye following year

for to serve on ye Jury of tryalls at april sessions Joshua Higgins and John Collens

For Selectmen
- mr Isaac Pepper
- mr Daniel Cole
- John Paine

For men to have a negative vote in disposing of land
- Lieutt John Doane
- Samll Paine
- John Sparrow
- John Paine
- Danll mayo

For Constable — Jonathan Sparrow

For Town Treasurer — John Paine

For Town Clerk — John Paine

For Tithingmen
- Joseph Rogers
- John merrick

For Surveyers of highways
- John young
- Nathanll Doane
- George Brown Jur

For fence viewers —
- Jonathan Linnell
- Jonathan Higgins Jur
- William Walker
- medad atwood

For pound keeper — Ensign Joseph Merrick

whereas at a Town meeting in Eastham on the fourteenth day of march instant the Town made choice of Jonathan Sparrow to serve for Constable for sd Town for the following year the said Town of Eastham at sd meeting did accept of david Doane (at the request of sd Jonathan Sparrow and the voluntary offer of sd David Doane to serve in the room and stead of sd Jonathan Sparrow and expresed it by vote

attest John Paine Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 14th 1710/11 the Town voted to [illegible] a comitte to regulate the damage that persons have suffered in their lots of meadow that were laid out in the year 1703) by the sand or sea breaking in upon them and where there is considerable damage done to make alowance so as to make them as good as other ordinary shares of the same denomination and this reparation to be made in upland where there is no medow convenient provided the owners of sd medow will take up therwith and sd Committe to accomplish sd work and report to the Town of their proceeding therein by the sixteenth day of august next ensuing and the owners of sd medows to pay the Committe for their charge a [illegible] at fiue shillings per day and accordingly at sd Town meeting the Town made choise of Capt Samuell Freeman Thomas [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to be a committee for the [illegible]

At a Town Meeting in Eastham February ye 21st 1710/11 the Town made choice of mr Samuell mayo Senior for a moderator for that meeting

At a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 21st 1710/11 being a meeting warned for ye Town to Consider of a proper method to divide the Towns Common land the Town in order thereunto voted to chuse a committe to consider of and draw up proposalls what land shall be divided and to whom and in what method they shall be divided and to present them to the Town and also to consider in what proper method to preserve & secure the wood on the great Island and Lieutt Island at Billingsgate in also to consider and propose what is proper to be done with reference to the Indians in respect to allowing them any priviledg for wood &c when the commons come to be laid out and the Town to pay ye committe at ye rate of three shillings pr day. and at sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Samuel Knowles Lieutt John Doane [illegible] Joseph Atwood Senior mr Daniel Cole, Micajah Snow and John Paine to be a committe for the end above said

At a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 26th 1711 warned to Consider about a method to regulate the Towns Comon or undivided upland the Town made choice of mr Samll Knowles for a moderator at sd meeting

at the above sd Town meeting (viz) march ye 26th 1711 Thomas Smith Senr did disorderly speak and persist in speaking after silence ordered by ye moderator

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the fourteenth day of May 1711 the Town made choice of mr Samuell Mayo to serve as a Representative for sd Town at ye Great and Generall Court at Boston who being present Declared his acceptanc —

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 14th 1711 the Town voted yt ye fore side of the meeting house should be new shingled and workmen and matterialls provided at the Towns charge to accomplish said work and also to repair other parts of ye meeting house which have a necessity to be repaired and accordingly at the same meeting the Town made choice of Captn Samll ffreeman and mr John Sparrow to take care to procure stuff and workmen to effect ye primises

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 14th 1711 the Town appointed Joseph Doane Esqr to account with John Paine as Town Treasurer in the Towns behalf —. —

At a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 14th 1711 the Town voted that if ye Select men of sd Town can and do agree with Beriah Smith of Truro to take his mother Smith ye widdow Relict of John Smith deceased and subsist her and give sufficient security to save the Town from any future charge with respect to her support for the future that the Town will then alow and pay to sd Beriah Smith fourteen pounds

At a Town meeting may ye 14th 1711 the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr Captn Samuell ffreeman and mr Isaac pepper to number and nominate the proprietors of the comon or undivided land lying within the Township of Eastham and also at the same meeting warned another town meeting to be on the twenty first day of may to consider of and act about dividing or laying out the Towns common or undivided upland and also the Select men set up publick notification thereof

Voted at a Town-meeting in Eastham July ye 23d: 1711 That the Comitte Chosen this present year (viz may ye 21th: 1711) to lay out land in this Town according to Town vote Shall have power and are hereby Impowered as Agents in the Towns behalf to Settle ye bounds betwixt The Towns Common and perticuler mens land and where any person or persons have taken in of ye Towns Comon-land to lay it out to them for part of their alotments respectively

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at a Town in Eastham August ye 20th 1711 it was proposed (at the request of Jeremiah Smith Senior) whether the Town would give him any land and it was voted in the afirmative and pursuant thereunto the Town then voted that said Jeremiah Smith Should have Somuch land granted and laidout to him (by ye Committe appointed to lay out land this present year) as is alowed as a tenement Right (viz) four Acres

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at a Town meeting in Eastham August ye 20th 1711 The Town made choice of mr Samll Knowles and John Paine to discourse with the men which John and Tom Sipson deputed to come down to Eastham about their Claim to Some lands in this Town

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at a Town meeting in Eastham August ye 20th 1711 The Town voted that the widdows wch ~~were~~ are widdows in this Town whose husbands when living were proper alowed Inhabitants of the Town of Eastham and there or they were widdows when the division of land in Eastham this present year was first entred upon all such widdows Shall have Somuch woodland laid out to them (by the Committe which are appointed to lay out land this present year) as is alowed to tenements which is four Acres of woodland which sd land sd widdows respectively Shall Injoy for their benefit during their widdowhood respectively and no longer or and after their marriage or decease to return to the Town againe to be in the same quallity as other undivided land within sd Town

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at a Town meeting in Eastham August ye 20th 1711 it was voted by the Town of Eastham that Richard Knowles, Stephen Snow Benjamin Cooke and Ebenezer ffreeman Should each of them have as much land laid out to them as is alowed by Town vote to tenements viz four Acres &c voted againe may ye 5th 1712

Granted to John Paine Junior a parcell of land Containing about three Acres and a half or four Acres more or less lying at the northern end of ye sheep pond commonly so called between the highway and the Cedar swamp this was granted at a Town meetin in Eastham august ye 20th 1711

Granted to Joshua Brown Isaac Atwood and John Witherill each of them about four Acres of upland to be laid out to them by ye Committe appointed to lay out land for ye Town of Eastham this present year voted at a Town meeting in Eastham august ye 20th, 1711

voted at a Town meeting in Eastham, august ye 20th 1711 That Joseph Doan Esqr ~~Deacon Samuell ffreeman~~ and John Cole Junior Shall have each of them a tenement lot alowed to them for ~~the~~ tenements they have which they do not live in and that there be a tenement lot alowed to Deacon Samuell ffreeman

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at a Town meeting in Eastham September ye 24th 1711 The Town made choice of John Mulford and Beniamin Cooke to serve on the Jury of tryall at the next Inferior Court of Comon pleas and Generall Sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable at ye Same meeting ~~the~~ Nicholas Snow Elisha Higgins and Beniamen Cooke were accepted for Towns-men of sd Eastha

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at a Town Meeting in Eastham may ye 5th 1712 The Town made choice of Nathaniell ffreeman Esqr for a Select man

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At a Town Meeting in Eastham march ye 3d 1711/12 warned to
choose Town officers for the following year
accordingly mad choice as Followeth (viz)
for Town Clerk John Paine

for Select men — — Richard Higgins
Daniel Cole
John Paine

for men to have anegative
vote in disposing of lands
within the Town of Eastham
Jonathan Higins
John Sparrow
Jonathan Linnell
Thomas Doane
John Paine

for Constable David Doane
For Town Treasurer John Paine
For Surveighers of Highways John young Nathanll Doane and
George Brown Junr
For fence viewers Jonathan Linnell Jonathan Higgins Junr William
Walker and Medad atwood
~~march ye 17th 1711/12 the Town made choice~~
for Tithingmen John Mulford & William Cole
at a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 17th 1711/12 the Town made choice
for Granjaryman Samuell Brown & Jonathan Linnell
for men to serve on the Jury of tryalls ~~the next~~ Court at Barnstable
Samuell Doane ~~[illegible] Doane~~ and John Paine Junr
for pound Keeper Ensign Joseph Merrick

Voted by the Town of Eastham at a Town-meeting in sd Eastham on the
third day of march Anno Domini 1711/12 that all lands granted by the Town of Eastham
be laid out by the Comitte chosen by the Town may ye 21th 1711: may and shall
be laid out by the men appointed to have a negative vote in disposing of lands
appropriated and alowed by the men appointed to Record any former Town Vote to the contrary
if they see cause and so committed to Record entered p John Paine Town Clerk
notwithstanding

At a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 5th 1712 the Town made choice
of mr Samuell Knowles for a moderator for sd meeting

At a Town meeting in Eastham may the 5th 1712 The Town voted
that the sd Town alows of the lot of land being laid out to mr Samll
Treat by his house for his Tenement lot provided that there be a conve
nient way alowed to go to the lots lying within and that the men appoint
ed to have anegative vote in disposing of land within sd Town stand
round out sd way and settle the bounds of sd lot

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 5th 1712 it was voted that
the lots laid out at poset hills namely three Tenement lots shall and
may be confirmed and made good to the persons to whom they are laid out
being regulated and bounded as the men appointed to have anegative
vote in disposing of land within sd Town shall judg proper under the
Circumstances sd land is now under and that the remainder of the land in
that place convenient to sd lots being by sd men bounded and discribed
shall and may be sold and the money ye produce thereof improved as ye
Town shall order

Voted at a Town Meeting in Eastham May ye 5th 1712 That all or any parcells of plain land laid out by the Committe appointed by the Town to lay out land for sd Town shall be recorded to ye persons to whom they are laid out if the men appointed to have a negative vote in disposing of lands within sd Town do approve thereof

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voted by the Town may ye 5th 1712 that the Town approves of ye return of the Committe in laying out upland to make good the damage which ~~they~~ mr Doane and John young had suffered by the sand spoyling their lots of medow

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granted by the Town of Eastham at a Town meeting in sd Eastham may ye fifth 1712 to Ebenezer Hinkly a parcell of upland and swamp near his house to be laid out and bounded by the negative-men as they judg conveni out

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At a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 5th 1712 voted by the Town of Samuell Smith shall have a parcell of land granted to him lying between the land that was Mr Saml Smiths Deceased and the land of Captn ffreeman as the negative men shall bound it

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At a Town-meeting in Eastham may the 5th 1712 The Town made choice of Mr John Sparrow and Mr Thomas Doane both of sd Eastham for Agents in sd Towns behalf to sue for recover and receive for the Town [of any person or persons who have or shall fence in & inclose any of the Towns common or undivided land] the penalties and forfeitures which by sd Town act is due and to prosecute all such persons to efect in law that have or shall inclose or improve any of sd common land and whatsoever sd agents shall lawfully do with reference to ye premisses the Town doth ingage to abide by as if done by sd Town

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At a Town Meeting in Eastham may ye 5th 1712 The Town appointed John Knowls Thomas Doane and John Cole Junr to lay out severall lots of land to severall persons whose lots laid out by the former Committe were not alowed

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Whereas among other things proposed and ordered by the Town of Eastham in the year 1711 refering to the granting and laying out lands within sd Town of Eastham it was then and there ordered and voted by sd Town that no person who should by vertue of said grants have land laid out to them should have them Recorded or delivered to them untill such time as he or they shall have paid their proper and respective proportions of the charge in laying out sd premised lands and wheras said Committe have now proceeded so far as to have sd granted lands in readiness [illegible] to be committed to record and for as much as there is a nessessity that said charg be speedily paid and that the Respective persons to whom such grants are made may speedily have their sd lands well bounded and put upon Record. it is ordered by the Town of Eastham at a Town meeting in sd Eastham may ye 5th 1712 That Each and every person to whom sd premised land were granted laid out and approved by the major part of the men ~~appointed~~ appointed by sd Town to have a negative Vote in disposing of lands within sd Town of Eastham and doth or shall within the space of two months from the day of the date hereof pay or cause to be paid his or her proper and equall part of of sd charge shall and may have his or their sd lands committed to record but each and every person who shall not within the said term of two months pay his or her proper part of the charge of laying out said lands shall wholy loose and forfeit their claim or title to any such lands ~~and~~ as were laid out and intended for them and sd lands shall return againe to the Town and be in the same station and quality and under the same circumstances as all other common or undivided lands and that ly within sd Town and sd grants shall be to every such person or persons utterly void if ever granted or laid out and the Town hath and doth appoint the Town clerk for the time being to take & receive sd money of the respective persons to pay ye Committe that laid out sd lands and other proper charges

This above written order was voted at a Town meeting in Eastham on the fifth day of may anno Domini 1712 Attest John Paine Town Clerk

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the twelvth day of may 1712
The Town made choice of mr Samuell Knowles to Serve as their Re-
presentative at the Generall Court at Boston

at a Town meeting in Eastham may the 12th 1712
it was proposed to the Town whether they woud chuse agents in the
Towns behalf to take care and act in the Towns behalf with reference
to the land which lyes between the two lines that are settled by agreement
between Eastham and Harwich to ly as a perpetuall Commonage

Whereas there was by agreement betwixt the Town of Eastham and the Town of Har-
wich a certain parcell or Tract of land lying on the southeastern side of the line which
bounds betwixt Eastham and Harwich Townships which was agreed upon mutually between
sd Towns to ly for a perpetual Commonage for the use and benefit of sd two Towns except-
ing only such parcells of land as were at the time of said agreement possessed by any person
or persons by fencing or building thereon but by reason of not having a right understanding
of some things relating to ye purchasing sd lands of the natives some inconveniences
have since hapned which may prove of ill consequence to ye interest of sd Towns Respec-
tively the Town of Eastham therefore at a Townmeeting in sd Eastham on the
twelvth day of may annodomini: 1712 made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr of Eastham and Capt Jo-
nathan Bangs of Harwich as agents for sd Towns to act and do in sd Towns behalf
all and every thing proper to be done in the premises either in purchasing any of said
lands of the natives or in ratifiing or confirming any thing that may be judged want-
ing in sd former agreement or to do in sd Towns behalf any manner of thing or things
which may or ought to be done with reference to purchasing setling or securing said
lands or any part or parcell thereof to be improved to and for the proper end and de-
sign of said Towns at their said agreement and whatsoever sd agents shall legaly
do with reference to ye premises the sd Town of Eastham doth hereby oblige it self
to stand to and abide by as fully to all intents and purposes as if done by sd Town
provided the Town of Harwich and propriators thereof do impower the above sd Joseph
Doane Esqr and sd Capt Jonathan Bangs with the same authority to act for their
sd Town
entred per John Paine Town Clerk

whereas there is an Illegitimate supposed Mallatto child now living in the
Town of Eastham which by reason of the death of his mother Anne Body
is exposed to the charity of the Town and hath been and is likely to be
further chargable to the Town The Town do therefore hereby Impower the
Select men of the Town to dispose of sd child as prudentially as may be
and whatsoever bargaine or agreement sd Select men make with any person in
order to support and maintain sd child the Town will confirm and abide by voted
by the Town of Eastham may ye 12th 1712

voted by the Town of Eastham at a Town meeting may the 12th 1712
That Richard Rich John Rich and Thomas Rich shall have four Acres
of land apeice laid out and granted to them in some place where it may be
convenient for them but not prejudicial to others

voted by the Town of Eastham at a Town meeting in said Eastham
on the 12th day of may annodomini: 1712 that the land at Noset hills as
as it is set forth bounded and discribed by the men appointed thereunto by the Town
(that is to say the land which is not laid out to particular mens lots) shall and is
hereby granted and recorded to Thomas Doane his heirs and assigns forever he
paying to the Town twenty pounds currant money the one half at the record-
ing thereof to him or within two months from this time and the other
ten pounds on or before the last day of october next

voted at the above sd Town meeting that Jeremiah Smith the shall have as
much land laid out to him as may be as good in value as one mans share on the great
Island at Billingsgate

At a Town meeting in Eastham June 25th 1712 the Town made choice
of Samuell Hedg and John Cole Junr to serve on the Jure of Tryalls at
Barnstable at the next Sessions

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at a Town meeting in Eastham on the fourth day of august 1712
it was voted by the Town that there should be no persons prosecuted in ye
law in the Towns benefit for any arrearages not paid by persons for setting
[illegible] at ye great Island at Billingsgate on whaling voiages

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the fourth day of august 1712
it was voted by the Town that the select men should forthwith make
arate or assessment on the poles and estates of the inhabitants of sd Town
of Eastham of one hundred thirty & six pounds to be set on them as the
law directs which sd sum is for the paying mr Treats salary for the defray
ing County charges for the paying our representative and schoolmaster
and other necessary and contingent charges arising within sd Town

at a Town meeting in sd Eastham on the fourth day of august
annodomini 1712 The Town made choice of mr John Mulfford of said
Eastham to be an agent in sd Towns behalf to prosecute any person
or persons to effect in law that shall presume to cut wood on the =
Towns commons to burn lime or otherwise contrary to sd Town act and
order and that for his incouragment he shall have the one half of
the penalty which by sd act is laid on such as break sd act and order

At a Town meeting in Eastham September ye 22th 1712: the Town made
choice of John Sparrow and Daniel atwood to serve on the jury of tryalls at
Barnstable the next court

at a Town meeting in Eastham September ye 22nd 1712: The Town grant
ed to John Paine junr the tenement lot which was laid out for the widd
ow mrs Hannah [illegible] towards the head of Namskakot and at the
same meeting the Town granted to John Sparrow a little piece of land
adjoyning to his other land at Sparrows=neck containing about half an
acre more or less

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the eighteenth day of febuary
14 anno Domini: 1712/13 for the incouragment of persons in killing
of wolves it was voted by the Town at sd meeting that if any per
son that is a proper resident within sd Town (either Indian or En=
glish shall within the term of one year from this day kill any =
grown wolf or wolves within the County of Barnstable and bring
his or their head or heads to the Town Treasurer of sd Eastham
for the time being he shall be alowed and paid out of sd =
Towns Treasury three pounds in currant money over and above what
is alowed by the law of this province and fifteen shillings
apeice for every wolves whelp so killed and brought in as afore
said

at the above said Town meeting the Town voted that the widdow
Hannah Mulffords tenement lot which was granted to her to hold du=
ring the term of her naturall life or widdowhood should be commit
ed to record shee paying the charges of laying out and recording the
same

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the 18th day of febuary anno Dom
1712/13 granted to ensign Joseph merrick all the land that lyes between
his lot of land which lyes to the southward of his now dwelling house
and the lot of land which was his father merricks and lyes on the =
northern side of his house provided sd merrick alow always a convenient
way by gates or barrs to pass with carts to and from the waterside

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the eighteenth day of febuary anno: Dom: 1712/13 the Town granted to Elisha Higgins a smale parcell of land which lyes between his Tenement lot and the Ceder Swamp

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febuary ye 18th 1712/13 the accepted of John Nichovel Joseph atwood John Smith Samuel Harding Samuell Knowles Junr and Nathaniel Mayo Junr for Towns=men

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at a Town=meeting in Eastham on the 18th day of febuary anno Domini: 1712/13 the Town granted to John Mulford all the wood and Brush that lyes below his Tenement lot between it and the bank or beach and likewise to the heirs of Joseph Snow deceased all the wood and brush that is between the Tenement lot (granted to them) and the bank or beach which sd trees are granted to Stand for a Security to their sd land Respectively and not to be improved any otherwise

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at a town meeting in Eastham on the eighteenth day of march annodomini: 1712/13 being a meeting warned for the Election of Town officers for ye following year: &c — the town at sd meeting made choice of Richard Rich and Timothy Cole Junr to Serve on the grandjury for the following year and for to serve on the Jury of tryalls for the next court Nathaniel Mayo Junr and William Brown

For Selectmen } Lieutt John Doane
Lieutt Nicholas Snow
mr Thomas Mayo

for men to have a negative vote in disposing of land } John Sparrow
Jonathan Linnell
Thomas Doane
John Paine
Jonathan Higgins Junr

ffor Constable Samuell Doane
for Town Clerk John Paine
ffor Tithingmen Daniel Cole Junr & Isaac Baker
ffor Town Treasurer John Paine
ffor Surveighors of the High-wayes Jabez Snow John young and Nathaniel Doane
ffor fence viewers John Sparrow Joshua Hopkins Edward Knowls and Daniel mayo —
ffor pound Keeper Jeremiah Smith Junr

at a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 14th 1712/13 voted by the Town of Eastham that John Paine might and should have liberty to remove his lot of land which he bought of Joshua Higgins which lot lyes near and to ye north Eastward of sd Paine now dwelling house and to carry the whole lot about four pole Eastward provided it intrench not on any wayes and provided the next neighbours thi[nk] it may be convenient

at a Townmeeting in Eastham on the 18th day of march anno Domini: 1712/13
granted to Nathan young liberty to exchang some land betwixt his house and
Richard Sparrows land so as to lay his land together and to remove the way wch
goes through or between his two parcells of land and cause it to go betwixt his =
land and Richard Sparrows provided the neighbours most concerned and the ne
gative = men Judg it may be convenient — — — — — — —

at a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 18th 1712/13 the Town voted that there
should be four pounds paid to william dyer out of the Town treasury besides four
pounds and four shillings ordered him by the select men which is for time spent
by sd Dyer in tending James Brown senr and family in the time of their sicknes
the last fall

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 12th 1713 voted that Nicholas
Snow Elisha Higgins and Beniamen Cooke be admitted for Townsmen —

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 12th 1713 voted that mr -
Thomas Mayo senr Lievtt Nicholas Snow & mr Isaac Pepper should
be a committe for sd Town to compare and adjust the accounts of John
Paine as Town Treasurer refering to his receipts and disbursments
since april ye 18th 1709 to this day

voted at ye abovesd meeting that the Eleven shillings which was
left of the contribution made in ye year 1711 for mr Tufts &c shall be dis
posed of for the releife of Daniel Cole Senr as far as it will go

at a Town-meeting in Eastham May ye 12th 1713 the Town
made choice of John Paine to serve for and represent
them at the great and generall Court to be held at Boston

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 12th 1713 the Town voted
that Jonathan Sparrow should have as much land laid out to him
where it may be most convenient for him and not to much preiudicial
16 to ye generall ~~or~~ to any perticuler persons as in the Judgment of the
negative men may be as good for quantity and quality as a share at the
great Iland in as much as he had no share laid out at sd Iland

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 12th 1713 the Town voted that Justice
Doane and Capt Bangs of Harwich shall prosecute their agency in the Towns
behalf with referense to ye land lying between the two lines of Eastham and =
Harwich

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 12th 1713 the Town voted that
John Paine Junr shall have a smale parcell of land to set a house upon &
that sd land shall be laid out by the men appointed to have a negative vote
in disposing of land within ye same it being about half an acre if sd men
Judg it convenient

granted to Joseph Higgins Senr and Elisha Higgins that they shall
have what wood shall be left or remain on the Tenement lot of
the widdow Mercy Mayo to improve for their benefit half a year
after her marriage or decease

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 12th 1713 the Town made choice
of Joseph Doane Esqr for an agent in the Towns behalf to say what
may be proper ~~in the Towns behalf~~ with referense to mr Samuell Knowles
his petition to the Justices of the general Sessions of the peace at Barns
table for a committe to come to come to Eastham to consider of the removing
the highway by sd Knowles his house

At a Town Meeting in Eaſtham on the 30th day of July anno Domini: 1713 voted by ſd Town that the ſelectmen do forthwith aſſeſs the inhabitants of ſaid Town on their poles and Eſtates in the ſum of one hundred fourty and ſix pounds to be collected and paid in for the defraying mr = Treats ſalary the paying the charges of ſchoole & ſchool-master for the defraying of County charges the repairing the meeting-houſe and other neceſsary charges ariſing within the ſame ~~which ſd~~ and that ſd liſt or liſts of ſaid aſseſment be committed to ye Conſtable to collect and pay in to the Town Treaſurer or his order on or before the laſt day of november next Enſuing

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voted at a Town meeting July ye 30th 1713 that the medow or marsh laid out by the to Daniel mayo Committe July ye 22th 1712 be recorded to ſd Daniel mayo according to town grant

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Granted by the Town of Eaſtham at a Town meeting in ſd Eaſtham on ye 30th day of July anno: 1713 liberty to Eliſha young to Exchange a parcell of land lying on the ſoutherne ſide of the highway by his houſe called an acre for quality and to take up as much for quantity and quality (in ye Judgment of the negative men) adjoyning to the land of Micajah ſnow called his plain lot — — — — — — — —

at a Townmeeting in Eaſtham July ye 30th 1713: voted that Eliezer and Joſhua atwood ſhould have a ſmale peice of marsh laid out and granted to them on the ſoutherly ſide of Boundbrook ſ and it being a ſmale nook of marsh which runs up into ye upland from the narrows at the going in & ſo upwards ſuppoſed to be about three quarters of an acre — — —

at a Town meeting in Eaſtham July ye 31th 1713 the Town made choice Jonathan Linnell Jonathan Higgins Junr John Cole Junr & Micaiah ſnow. they or any three of them to be a Committe in the Towns behalf to ſurveigh the lots of medow laid out in ye year 1703 where complaint is made of their being damnified by the ſea or ſand breaking in upon them and to make amendment where it is ſo: ſo as to make ſuch lots as good as other ordinary lots of the ſame denomination. and the Town to pay them for their time — — — — — — —

At a Town meeting in Eaſtham July ye 30th 1713: voted by ſd Town that from and after this day no grant of land granted at any Town meeting shall be Eſteemed good and valid nor committed to record Except there ſhall be perticuler notice given in the warning of ſd meeting that ſome buſineſs relating to land is to be conſidered of and tranacted — — — —

At a Town meeting in Eaſtham July ye 30th 1713 voted that John mulford ſhould have two acres of the pine bruſh which growes near the great medow in Eaſtham laid out to him

At a Town meeting in Eaſtham on the fifth day of october: 1713 the Town made choice of Daniel Cole and Jabez ſnow to ſerve on the Jury of tryalls at Barnſtable the next ſeſsions — —

At a Town meeting in Eaſtham on the fifth day of october annodom 1713 The Town made choice of John Cole Junr Timothy Cole Junr Jabez ſnow and thomas Doane for a comitte to view the place where mr Samuell Knowles propoſes to turn the Highway and to conſider ye circumſtances thereof whether it may be done without prejudice or damage to ye Town under the circumſtances which he propoſes and to make report to ye Town at the next proper meeting to act thereon

At a Town-meeting in Eastham on the sixteenth day of December 1713 David Doane and Samuell Brown were chosen to serve on the Jury of tryalls at ye next ~~Inferiour~~ court or quarter sessions at Barnstable

at a Town meeting in Eastham December ye 16th 1713 voted that mr Peter Barns should be hired for one quarter more after the finishing of his first year as schoolmaster for this Town

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the seventeenth day of march annodomini 1713/14 being a meeting warned to make choice of Town officers for ~~the following~~ year the Town made choice of the following person as they are hereafter named to their respective offices (viz)

For men to have a negative vote in disposing of land within sd Town
John Sparrow
Jonathan Higgins Jur
John Paine
Thomas Doane
Jonathan Linnell

For Selectmen —
Nicholas Snow
Isaac Pepper
Daniel Cole

For Constables — — — — —
Thomas Doane
Daniel Mayo

For Town Clerk — — — — — — John Paine
For Town Treasurer — John Paine
For Tithingmen Jeremiah Smith Junr & John Rich
16 For grand jury-men Jabez Snow & William Brown
For men to serve on the Jury of tryalls at april sessions at Barnstable Julian Cooke & Jonathan Linnell
For ~~[illegible]~~ surveyors of ye highways Isaac Doane Joshua Hopkins & Richard Sparrow
For fence viewers Edward Knowles Jonathan Sparrow and Josiah Higgins
For pound keeper Jeremiah Smith Junr

At the above sd Town meeting in Eastham march the 17th 1713/14 at the motion and request of Thomas Doane the Town voted that they would accept of Samuell Doane to serve as constable for sd Town in the room of sd Thomas Doane who was chosen by the Town to sd office

at a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 17th 1713/14 voted by the Town that the meeting house should be repaired the summer following so as to make it comfortable to meet in and accordingly at the same meeting the Town made choice of ~~Capt~~ Capt Samuell Freeman and mr Thomas Mayo to be agent for the Town to procure matterials and hire workmen to effect sd work

voted by the Town that mr John Barns shall be imployed in said Town as a schoolmaster for one year next ensuing if he can be agreed withall on reasonable terms and that the select men are desired to agree with him march ye 17th 1713/14

voted by the Town of Eaſtham at a Town meeting in ſd
Eaſtham on the 17th day of march anno domini: 1713/14 that
Joseph Doane Esqr Mr Samuell Mayo Mr Isaac pepper and Insign
Snow ſhould be a committe to draw up and methodize the Setling
of a Schoolemaſter for the time to come and to make returne to ye
Town at the next Town meeting

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voted at a Town meeting in Eaſtham march ye 17th 1713/14 that
John Taylor ſhould have about two acres of land laid out to him
some where betwixt George Shaws and John Paine Junr his houſe
if the negative men approve thereof and Judg it convenient

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at a town meeting in Eaſtham on the 17th day of march anno dom
1713/14 The Committe choſen by the Town on the fifth day of octo
ber last to view the place where mr Samuell Knowles deſires to
have the Highway alter ed: made this returne that they Judged it not
convenient that ſd way ſhould be altered or removed as mr Knowles
deſired

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at a Town meeting in Eaſtham may ye 10th: 1714: The Town made
choice of John Paine to serve as their Representative at ye generall
Court at Boſton the following year who being preſent accepted

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at a Townmeeting in Eaſtham on the tenth day of may anno Domi
ni: 1714 The Committe choſen on the 17th day of march: 1713/14 to order and metho
dize the Setling of the Schoolemaſter in Eaſtham for the time to come made their
return as followeth that they are of opinion that the moſt proper way to settle ye
Schoolemaſter for the future for the general benefit of ſd Town is as followeth
(viz) That the Town ſhall be divided in to twoparts and that the dividing line
ſhall be between the houſe of Ralph Smith and the houſe of Richard Knowls
ſd Smiths houſe being the moſt Southerly of the northern part of ſd Town & ye
ſd Knowles houſe being the moſt northerly of the Southern part and that ye
Schoolmaſter for the future ſhall remaine one full year in the ſd northerly part
of the Town and then one full year in the Southerly part and so from time
to time hereafter but ſd Schoolemaſter to be supported by ye Town in general as
the law directs and that each part of ſd Town reſpectively ſhall take care
to settle ſd Schoolemaſter in proper and convenient places for the generall
benefit of their part of ye Town the year ſd Schoolemaſter is to be there; and
[illegible] ſhall be the partition of and between the northern and the
[illegible] ends of the Town from the houſes above ſaid and the Schoolemaſter
[illegible] his ſtation the firſt year at the northern end of the Town and
[illegible] year ſhall begin at the time he entred upon his new years hire and
[illegible] that one end of the Town as aforeſd ſhall not send their Children
[illegible] to ye other part of ye Town in as much as it may tend to ye damage of
[illegible] The return of the ſd Committe was accepted and voted by the
Town of Eaſtham at ye abovesaid Town meeting as a rule and method
to [illegible] Schoolemaſter for the future

attest Jno Paine Town Clerk

Settleing ye School

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at a Town meeting in Eaſtham may ye 10th 1714 The Town made choice of
[illegible] and Mr Samuell Mayo as agents for ſd Town to treat
with the Town of Harwich or their agents relating to certain parcells of land
belonging to ye inhabitants of Eaſtham which lye within the Township of Harwich
and certain tracts of land belonging to several of the inhabitants of Harwich
which lye within the Township of Eaſtham how and in what manner [illegible]
ſhall be settled for the mutual benefit of each Town and person concerned

entred p Jno Paine Town Clerk

at a Town-meeting in Eastham on the second day of august 1714
the Town voted that the fore side of the meeting house shall be repaired
after the manner that the Eastern end is

at a Town meeting in Eastham ~~[illegible]~~ april ye 2nd: 1714 it was voted by
sd Town that the select men be and are hereby impowered to
assess the inhabitants of sd Town on their poles and Estates the sum
of one hundred and fourty pounds to be Collected and paid in as the se
lectmen shall order which sd money is for the paying Mr Treats sala
ry for the defraying County charges according to sd Towns just propor
tion and other nessessary charges arising within sd Town

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the second day of august: 1714
it was proposed to the Town whether they would be at the charg to pay
their part (which is one half) of the cost of the purchase of the land lying
betwixt the two [illegible] (as it is commonly called) which was [illegible] upon by
the agents of Eastham and Harwich to ly for a perpetual Common for the
benefit both of Eastham and Harwich. provided the men who have [illegible] pur
chased it of the Indian owners will surrender it to sd Towns and provided
Harwich Town and propriators will pay their part which is the other half of
the cost of sd purchase and also on condition the sd Towns do Joyntly pay sd
purchase and sd land be surrendered to ly for a perpetual common as it was
agreed by the agents of sd Towns as aforesaid. that then there shall be a
like proportion of land for quantity and quality set out and reserved at the
northern part of sd Town to ly also for a perpetual common for the benefit
of sd Town and that it shall be set out in as convenient place or places as
may be for the benefit of the neibourhood this being proposed to the Town
as aforesaid was voted in the afirmative

Whereas by order of the Great and Generall Court at their Sessions in
may last the select-men of Eastham have been served with a coppie of a
petition exhibitted by severall Indians of Harwich, and sd Generall Court
have ordered that the selectmen of Eastham be heard thereon on the first
fryday in the next sessions of sd Court. the said selectmen on hearing there
of ordered the Town to meet who did accordingly meet on munday the 2nd
day of august: 1714 and after a due consideration of the premisses did then
nominate and appoint ~~Mr~~ John Paine of sd Eastham as their agent in be
half of sd Town and selectmen thereof to appear at sd Great and Generall
Court to say what may be proper to be sd with respect to the premisses
~~the above written~~ this was voted at the above sd Town meeting
and is entered in the minute Book ~~[illegible]~~

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the second day of august 1714
ordered and voted by the Town that whereas the sd Town have appointed
John Paine to be their agent to appear for them at the great and
generall Court at Boston to answer for them to the complaint or petition
of severall Indians & that if the sd Paine perform or go on sd business
the Town will alow and pay him four shillings per day for all the time
he spends on sd service over and above what is alowed him for coming
as representative alowing him three days for going and three for re
turning

At a Town meeting in Eastham october ye 4th 1714 Samuell Knowles [illegible]
and Joseph Smith were chosen to serve on the Jury of tryals at Barnstable the
next Court - - - -

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the tenth day of march annodomini 1714/15 warned by order of the Select men to make choice of Town officers for the following year as the law directs

The Town at sd meeting made choice of the respective officers as ffolloweth

(1712) for Town Clerk John Paine

for Town Treasurer John Paine

for Selectmen	mr Samuell Mayo mr Daniel Cole mr Isaac Pepper
for Constables	Jonathan Linnell Samuell Brown Senr
for men to have a negative vote in laying of land within the Town	mr Samuell mayo Nicholas Snow Jonathan Higgins Junr John Sparrow Israel Doane
for Tithingmen	Daniel Smith Senr Richard Sparrow
for Surveighors of Highways	John Sparrow Joseph Higgins Senr Edward Knowles Elisha Eldridg
for fence viewers	Isaac Doane Jabez Snow John Cole Junr
for pound Keeper	Jeremiah Smith Junr

voted at the same meeting viz march ye tenth 1714/15 to chuse three men to have the inspection of swine and accordingly made choice of John Smith John young and william Smith to serve in sd office as the law directs —

voted march ye 11th 1714/15 that a Townmeeting should be warned to be holden on the 24th day of march currant to consider what is proper to be done to prevent the dammage that is done or like to be done by persons fencing and improving the Towns commons contrary to order

voted at the same meeting that Joseph Doane and John Doane Esqr with Capt Samuell Freeman John Paine Thomas Doane and Edward Knowles be a committee for the Town to consider what will be the most proper and Effectual means to prevent persons from disorderly fencing improving and wasting the Towns commons and to make report thereof to sd Town at their next meeting

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the twenty fourth day of march annodomini 1714/15 the Town made choice of mr David Doane to serve on the grand jury at the next Superior Court to be holden ~~there~~ at plimouth [illegible] mr Samuell Knowles to serve on the Jury of Tryals at sd Superior Court — —

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 24 day of march 1714/15 The Town made choice of James Rogers and Benjamin [illegible] to serve in the [illegible] for the following year and at the same meeting [illegible] [illegible] Joseph Collins and John Cole Junr at a Townmeeting in eastham on the twenty seventh day of [illegible] anno domini 1714/15 the Town made choice of mr Samuell mayo for a moderator for this meeting

at a Town meeting in eastham march ye 24th 1714/15 it was granted by the vote of the Town that Jonathan Linnel should have as much land for quantity and quallity as he hath left out in the lane which he hath left out for the benefit of the neighbours to go down to the pond for water for their cattle which is to be laid out by the neighbour men near his house he surrendring up said lane to ye use and benefit of ye Town forever

at a Townmeeting in eastham march ye 24th 1714/15 James Higgins petitioned to ye Town for about ten or twelve rod of land to set a barn and hay yard on near his dwelling house which pettition was granted by ye vote of ye Town —

at a Town-meeting in eastham December the 3d 1715 Thomas Rich was admitted a Townsman   attest Isaac pepper Town Clerk
Transcribed from a script given under the hand of Isaac Pepper as above sd who was ~~at~~ Clerk pro tempore   pr Jno Paine Town Clerk

at a Townmeeting in eastham ye 29th day of november 1715 with reference to a foot way [illegible] through mr Samuell Knowles his land over by the head of the Town Cove where the Stiles [illegible] stood pursuant to a reserve by the Town grant of sd Knowles his land there some uncomfortable difference having arisen where said way should pass. for the quieting and setling whereof the Town at sd meeting made choice of capt Samuell Freeman John Doane Senr Sergant Daniel Cole and Joseph Cole as a Committe in sd Towns behalf to joyn with sd mr Samuell Knowles to settle and bound out sd footway so as may be most convenient for foot persons to travell & lest prejudicial to sd mr Knowles and what sd Committe and said mr Knowles shall do in and about the premisses shall for ever remain to be a finall settlement thereof as fully to all intents and purposses as if done by sd Town personally this above written was voted the day and year above said
attest Isaac pepper Town Clerk

This above written is truly transcribed from the original script attested by Isaac pepper as above sd who was Town clerk pro tempore   pr Jno Paine Town Clerk

18 at a Town meeting in eastham on the ninth day of may anno Domini: 1714 the Town made Choise of mr Samuell mayo to serve as their Representatives at ye general Court at Boston

voted at a Townmeeting in eastham may ye 9th 1715 that mr Samuell mayo should take care to provide a schoole master to serve the Town

at a Town-meeting in eastham June ye 27th 1715 The Town being deeply senceable of ye great dammage that happens within the Town by horses going at large on the Commons by their breaking into medows and other inclosures though well fenced to the great dammage of very many persons. voted: at sd meeting that the Selectmen of sd Town be and are here by directed to make a penal act to prevent horses from going at large on the sd Commons without being sufficiently fettered and that the sd Selectmen present the same to his Majesties Justices at the next General Sessions of the peace at Barnstable for approbation.

at a Town meeting in eastham on the first day of September 1715 voted that the Selectmen of eastham do forthwith make a rate or assesment on the poles and estates of sd Town and the district or hamlet of Billingsgate as the law directs of the sum of one hundred ~~pound~~ and thirty pound, or thereabouts and Commit the list or lists thereof to the Constable or Constables of sd Town or hamlet to be by him or them collected and paid in to ye Selectmen or their order on or before the last day of november next ensuing

at a Town meeting on the first day of September 1715 that mr Thomas mayo and mr Samuell mayo to adjust the accounts with John Paine as Town [illegible] concerning his receipts and disbursments

at a Townmeeting in eastham octobr ye 16th 1715 the Town made choice of Richard Sparrow and Benjamin Higgins to serve [illegible] of Tryalls at Barnstable

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the ninth day of march anno Domini 1715/16
warned by order of the Selectmen of sd Eastham to make choice of Town
officers for the year following accordingly at sd meeting the Town being met
made choice of the respective Town officers as followeth: that is to say

for Selectmen Edward Knowles Lievt Nicholas Snow and John Paine Esqr
for Constables ~~for the [illegible]~~ mr Joshua Hopkins and Richard Rich
ffor Town Clerk John Paine
ffor Town Treasurer John Paine
for Grandjurymen Joseph Collens Senr and Benjamin Higgins
ffor Surveyors of highways Thomas mayo Senr John Cole junr Thomas
Doane and Isaac Baker
for men to have a negative vote in disposing of land in Eastham Jonathan
Higgins Senr John Sparrow Thomas Doane Nicholas Snow and Israel Doane
for fence viewers Jabez Snow Isaac Doane and Elisha young
for pound Keeper Jeremiah Smith Senr

at a Town meeting in Eastham march ye 30th 1715/16 voted that william
Smiths rate of about twentyfour Shillings should be abated with the Constable
Samuel Doane
at the Same meeting voted that Thomas [illegible] [illegible] in the Province
and Town rates made the last Summer should be abated with Jonathan Linnell
Constable

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at a Town meeting in Eastham on the sixteenth day of a
pril 1716 the Town made choice of John Knowles and Ja
bez Snow to Serve on the Jury of tryalls at ye next quar
ter Sessions at Barnstable
and for grandjurymen for the year following John Smith
and Richard Cooke

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the Seventh day of may anno Domi
ni 1716 mr Samuel Knowles was Chosen to Represent sd Town at the
great and Generall Court or assembly to be Convened held and kept in
Boston on the thirtieth day of may Currant

June ye 18th 1716: whereas there is a private open way alowed by the Committe that
laid out the lands in Eastham in ye year of our Lord 1715 between the land then laid
out to mr Josiah Cooke and land then laid out to mr John Mulford at a place Com
monly Called the Great neck in Eastham as may be seen on record: and by information
it is thought proper and Convenient it should be so. Therefore at a Town meeting in E
astham on ye day above said [illegible] that the Selectmen of sd Eastham do take an opportuni
ty to view the place and if they finde it to be [illegible] needfull that there should be
[illegible] in that place that they do bound it out and Cause it to be [illegible]
[illegible] a private way for the benefit of sd Town

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the eighth day of august 1716 which
meeting was warned to take care for the raising of money to pay mr Treats Salary
and the charges of Representing and paying the School master for the paying the
Towns Representative and other necessary County or Town charges voted that
the Selectmen do forthwith make a rate or assessment on the poles and estates
of the Town of Eastham of one hundred and thirty pounds and that they com
mit the list or lists thereof to the Constables of sd Town to Collect according
to ye direction of ye law in that case made and provided and pay in the same to
the Town Treasurer or their order at such time as they shall appoint to be
improved for the ends and uses above said

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the 8th Day of August 1716 voted that the Select men or Some of their order Do discourse with mr Stuart our present Scholemaster to see whether he may be obtained to keep Schoole in Eastham for one year more after the present year is expired and if not to agree for as long time as they Can agree

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the Eighth day of october 1716 the Town made choice of mr Samuel Mayo and mr John Sparrow to serve on the Jury of tryals at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and general Sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable —

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the eighth day of october anno domini 1716 it being proposed to the Town and proprietors whether they were willing to [illegible] the matter in difference betwixt Daniel Atwood and the Town of Eastham referring to land lying at [illegible] in sd Eastham to be determined by men indifferently chosen and the vote being called it passed in the affirmative and to the intent that the matter may be prosecuted to effect and that matter relating to the whole controversie ~~which~~ which hath arisen or that [illegible] may arise between the said Town and proprietors of the Town of Eastham and sd Daniel Atwood relating to any particular claim or challenge which the said Daniel Atwood his heirs or assigns hath or [illegible] shall make by virtue of any purchase [illegible] or title which Stephen Atwood late of Eastham deceased had unto any lands lying about [illegible] in sd Eastham [illegible] that a final end of sd matter of controversie may be [illegible] and determined the Town and proprietors at the above sd meeting with the mutual concurrence and consent of the above named Daniel Atwood did make choice of mr [illegible] [illegible]worth [illegible] mr [illegible] of Harwich and [illegible] of Chatham as arbitrators between the town and the said Daniel Atwood to make a final end [illegible] the sd Difference and do [illegible] them selves to [illegible] to and abide by their award which they or any two of them shall give in under their hands on or before the twenty third day of october [illegible] provided the sd Daniel Atwood become bound also to stand to and abide by their award so given in and it was also further voted at the above said meeting that mr Samuel Mayo [illegible] and John Prince [illegible] should be agents and are hereby appointed and authorized to be agents for and in behalf of the Town of Eastham to appear [illegible] what [illegible] loyally do or act with reference hereunto [illegible] them selves to stand to and abide by and do hereby grant [illegible] that it [illegible] full and effectual to all intents and purposes as if [illegible]

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at a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 8th day of october anno domini 1716 voted by the Town that they are willing to allow mr Nehemiah Hobart ten pounds over and above what he is [illegible] to have for keeping Schoole provided he will [illegible] assisting to the Reverend [illegible] in preaching as there shall be [illegible] after the present quarter is out [illegible] to keep Schoole in sd Eastham and it was further voted [illegible] Jonathan [illegible] to treat with mr Hobart about the premises [illegible] —

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the thirteenth day of march annodomini 1716/17 duely warned by order of ye Selectmen to chose Town officers for the following year as the law directs. The Town then assembled made choice of Town officers as followeth —

for Town Clerk — — — — — —	John Paine
for Town Treasurer — — — —	John Paine
for Selectmen — — —	Isaac Pepper Samuel mayo John Paine
for men to have a negative vote in disposing of land within the Town of Eastham — — —	Capt. Samuel ffreeman Edward Knowles John Knowles Jabez Snow Jonathan Higgins Junr
for Constables — — — — — —	John Cole Junr Elisha Bridg Senr
for Tithingmen — — — — —	mr Josias Cooke William Twining
for Surveighors of Highways — — —	Thomas mayo Senr Jonathan Linnell Thomas Doane Isaac Baker
for fence Viewers — — — — — —	Jabez Snow Israel Doane Elisha young
for pound keeper — — —	[illegible] Junr

At the above said Town meeting viz march the 13th 1716/17 at the desire and motion of John Cole Junr and Consent of Jonathan Linnell the Town accepted of Jonathan Linnell to serve as Constable in the room of sd John Cole for the following year provided the said Jonathan Linnell take the oath to serve accordingly

At a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 8th day of april annodomini 1717 [illegible] made choice to serve on the Jury of tryalls at Barnstable the next Court of mr Joseph Collins and John Paine —

And at the same meeting viz april ye 8th 1717 the Town made choice of [illegible] and Joseph Higgins Senr to serve on the Grandjury for the following year

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the Eighth day of april annodomini 1717 voted by ye Town that they are willing to alow mr Nehemiah Hobart (for the six Sabbath days which he is ingaged to preach for the neibouring ministers whilest they take their turns to preach in this Town) twenty shillings aday and to pay for his coming and that Capt Samuel ffreeman and Joseph Doane Esqrs are hereby directed to acquaint mr Hobart of the minds of the Town in this matter and to endeavour to have him to be helpfull in the work of the ministry for some longer time

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the eighth day of april annodomini 1717 voted that mr Treat [illegible] mr Samuel mayo mr John ffreeman Lieut John Knowles mr [illegible] and mr Thomas Doane shall be a committe to consider of [illegible] to offer to the Town in order to the composing the different apprehensions [illegible] proposals of parts of ye Town with respect to ye setting ye meeting-house in Eastham whether there [illegible] to build anew or whether there shall be one meeting-house or two and to make a return of what they do to ye Town at [illegible] the [illegible] may need as note of ye Clerk [illegible] at a Town meeting in eastham on ye fifteenth day of may anno Dom 17: The qualified inhabitants legaly assembled made choice of John Paine to serve as their representative at ye great and General Court at Bost

at a Town Meeting in Eastham on ye 15th day of may anno Domini 1717 voted that mr Isaac Pepper shall be imployed as a Schoole master for the Town of Eastham and that he shall be alowed after the rate of fourty pounds pr annū for the time he serves

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 15 1717 voted that Capt Samll ffreeman shall be reimbursed twenty shillings which he gave to mr Hugh adams to gratify him for his labour in preaching one lords day and that mr Josiah Cooke shall be paid six shillings for his trouble in fetching and carrying him from and to chatham which money is to be paid out of ye Town Treasury

at the above sd Town meeting viz may ye 15th 1717: voted that it is the minde of the Town that Capt Samuel ffreeman and John Paine do write to revrd mr Josiah Torrey to Know whether there be any incurragment from him that he may remove from his present post and come to Eastham to preach the gospel unto us

At a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 30th 1717: voted that Capt Samuel ffreeman shall be reimburst out of the Town Treasury twenty shillings which he paid to mr Hugh Adams to gratify him for preaching in Eastham on the 19th day of may: 1717 being ye lords day and that twelve shillings should be paid to sd Capt ffreeman for his trouble in Entertaining the ministers that came to preach at Eastham since mr Treats decease.

at a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 30th 1717: voted that the Select are desired to take care to provide Entertainment for any that shall come to preach the gospel in Eastham and to order that he or they be gratified for their labour out of the Towns Treasury as also that such as entertain any such shall be paid for their trouble & charg —

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the third day of July 1717: The Town then assembled made choice of mr Thomas Mayo to a moderator for that meeting

20 at a Town meeting in Eastham on ye third day of July annodomini: 1717: being warned and notice given in and by sd notification that it was to consider of & act and do what may be Judged proper with reference to ye stating place or places where ye meeting house or meeting houses shall be set in sd Eastham when there is or shall be ocation to build anew and at sd meeting it was put to the vote that the meeting house (when there is or shall be ocation to build anew) be set at the most convenient place to ye southward of Jeremiah Smiths gutter to accommodate the Town in general and the vote passed in the affirmative there being by the moderators account seventy five voters Thirty ~~five~~ seven of which were for the negative and thirty eight for the affirmative

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the twenty second day of July annodomini: 1717 warned for that purpose. voted that the Selectmen of sd Eastham do forthwith make a rate or assessment on the poles and estates of the said Town in conjunction with the Inhabitants of Billingsgate as the law directs and according to agreement with sd Hamlet of the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds and the list or lists thereof to commit to the Constable or Constables of sd Town to collect and pay in to the select men or their order on or before the last day of November next ensuing which sd money is to be for the defraying the charges of the ministry and Schools within sd Town for the paying such proper county charges as shall be orderly set on sd Town and other necessary Town charges arising within the same

at a Town Meeting in Eastham on the 22nd day of July 1717 it being a meeting warned to take some effectual care to procure a minister of the gospel to dispense the word of god unto the people in sd Town and [illegible] the church having drawn up some proposalls to the Town and nominated Joseph Doane Esqr to send as their messinger on said trust to invite a suitable person to come unto us on that account and the question being asked and proposed ~~[illegible]~~ whether the Town will concur with the sd proposalls and the vote passed in the afirmative

Entred p John Paine Town Clerk

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the 26 day of September anno Domini: 1717: being warned to consider act and do what is proper to be done relating to mr Nehemiah Hobart for his incouragment who on the Towns invitation to preach the word of god unto us & at sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Thomas Mayo for a moderator for sd meeting.

— at the above sd meeting it was proposed to the Town whether they were of the minde to incurrig mr Nehemiah Hobart to Continue with us to preach the word of god unto us for one half year reconing from the time he first came unto us for that end which was the ~~seventh~~ [illegible] day of ~~September~~ August 1717: the vote being thus proposed it passed in the affirmative and in order thereunto the Town = made choice of Capt Samuel Freeman Nathanael Freeman Esqr and mr Israel Cole to discourse with sd mr Hobart to know his minde relating to this affair and to make report to the Town who after some short time having discoursed with mr Hobart sd Committe made this return to ye Town that mr Hobart was not willing to ingage for any certain time until he had been at home at Hingam which he must do after two Sabbaths more were past and then if he saw reason to return againe he would ingage for ~~one~~ a certain time and if not he would signify his minde with all speed that ~~may~~ be and that for the time he hath or shal serve the Town before he goes home the Town my give him what they pleas whereupon the Town voted that five and twenty shillings pr week shall be paid out of ye Town treasury to mr Nehemiah Hobart for so many Sabbath days as he hath or shall stay to preach before he returns home and the Town to pay his board.

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at a Town meeting in Eastham on ye seventh day of october annodom: 1717 the Town made choice of mr John Knowles and mr John Cole Jun To serve on the Jury of tryals at Barnstable the next Sessions

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at a Town Meeting in Eastham on the 30th day of December annodomini: 1717. The Town then assembled made choice of mr Isaac Pepper and mr Elisha Higgins to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and General Sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable on the 21st day of December Currant — — — — —

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at a Town meeting in Eastham on the 30th day of December annodom 1717 Joseph Doane Esqr laid his accompt of his charges and expences in going on the Towns acount to look for a minister for the Town which charges and time amounted (by his account) to the sum of four pounds eleven shillings and sixpence and the question being asked whether they allowed said account and it passed in the afirmative and that the sd sum of four pounds eleven shillings and sixpence be paid to ye sd Joseph Doane out of the Towns Treasury

at the same meeting Justice Nathanael Freeman & David Doane laid their acompt of their time and charges in going to look out for a minister which amounts in ye whole to ye sum of seven pounds and six shillings and the question being asked whether they allowed sd account it passed in the affirmative and that the sum of seven pounds and six shillings be paid out the Towns Treasury to the sd Freeman and Doane — — — —

Also at the same meeting it was voted that the sum of five pounds to be paid to Capt Samuel Freeman and mr Knowls in full for their time and expences in accompanying mr Osborn to and from plimouth. —

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at the same meeting voted that the sum of six shillings for time he spent in going to procure mr Lord to come to Eastham to preach be paid to Jonathan Linnell out of the Town Treasury

at a Town-meeting in eastham on the seventeenth day of february 1717/18
orderly warned and met. voted that mr Samuel Knowles be moderator for sd meeting
whereas there was a vote passed by the Town of eastham orderly warned and met on
the third day of July annodom: 1717: to this purpose that when there is or shall be
ocation to build anew meeting house the place where it shall be set standing in the most con
venient place to ye southward of Jeremiah Smiths gutter to accommodate the
said Town. but whereas it seems to be grevious to some of the inhabitants of ye
northern part of the Town therefore at a Town-meeting in eastham orderly warn
ed and met on the seventeenth day of february anno dom: 1717/18 it was proposed
and the vote called for whether the Town would sit down satisfied if the place
for the meeting house to be set when there is or shall be ocation to build one
should be somewhere near abouts where the Towns pound now stands, in the most
convenient place thereabouts. the vote being asked therefore it passed in the negative

and then sd meeting by the major vote was ordered: to be adjourned and was accordingly adjourn
ed to munday ye 24th day of february currant at nine of the clock forenoon

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at a Town meeting in eastham continued by adjournment from munday the seven
teenth day of february 1717/18. to munday ye 24th currant and then met. at sd meeting
a paper was presented subscribed with twentyfive hands the contents whereof were as
followeth (viz: We the subscribers do propose and conclude that it will be best for sd Town
to divide according to ye number of families in order for building two meeting houses &
setting two ministers and in case sd Town cant lovingly agree where the dividing line
shall be. then for the Town to make choice of a committe out of the neighbouring Town or
Towns to determin that matter and mr ozburn to have liberty to settle in which
end of the Town he shall see cause and as soon as there shall be ocation: for the
whole Town to be at ye cost and charge of looking out for and bringing into sd Town
another gospell minister for the other end of ye Town. and the vote being asked
it passed in the negative

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at the same meeting: viz: february ye 24th. 1717/18. voted that the Town is willing
that a meeting house to accommodate the Town shall be set where abouts the Towns
pound now stands

voted that Joseph Doane esqr Capt Samuel Freeman mr John Rich
and Nathanael Freeman Esqr be a committe to discourse mr ozborn relating
to his settlement in ye ministry and then by the vote of ye Town the meeting was
adjourned to tuesday the 11th day of march next coming

21 at a Town meeting in Eastham held by adjournment from february ye 24th [illegible]
[illegible] to march ye 11th following and then met voted that Joseph Doane esqr Capt Samuel
Freeman mr Israel Cole David Doane & Thomas Doane [illegible] be a committe to [illegible]
purposall to present to ye Town at their present meeting with reference to a [illegible]
to return in one hour. and after some time the same the sd Committe [illegible]
following purposalls (viz) having weighed and considered the circumstances of
sd Town relating to what was [illegible] and the many [illegible]
that we have been labouring under and with tending [illegible]
that have been used for the Towns keeping together and [illegible] in
one place for carrying on the publick worship of God we find it diffi
cult and prejudicial to both ends of the Town that we judge it will be
much better and will tend more to the glory of God & our own peace &
comfort for sd Town to divide in order ~~[illegible]~~ for building two distinct meeting
houses in such places in each part of sd Town as may be most convenient
for each end of sd Town and setting two distinct ministers at
the cost and charge of each part of sd Town and therefore [illegible] to
sd Town what follows in order to be voted

proposals for dividing & building 2 meet houses

[illegible] that sd Town divide into two distinct parts: and that the di
viding line between sd two parts begin at the place called the Ren[illegible]
mouth thence southeasterly up the boatmedow as the main crick runs to
the head of said boat-medow between the house of Jeremiah Smith
and the house of Daniel Smith thence southeasterly across the road
and by the range between the land of Ensign Joseph Merrick and the
land of Jeremiah Smith and so into ye Town cove and down sd cove round
[illegible] point & out at the stage harbour.
That the Town now vote a suitable man to lay the premises before ye
next General Court and pray sd General Court to do what may be pro
per to enable sd distinct parts of sd Town to raise money distinctly a
mong them selves to support their own charge of building each meeting
house and setling and supporting each minister from time to time
That so soon as the inhabitants of ye southerly end of sd Town shall
have built them a meeting house for carrying on the publick worship of
God and have ordained a minister among them then for the northerly end
of sd Town to have for them selves and to their own proper use ye
old meeting house now standing in sd northerly end of sd Town;
If the Revrd mr Samuel Ozburn may be obtained to settle in said
Town then for him to have the liberty to settle in which end of ye
sd Town he shall see cause and the whole Town then to be at the
cost and charge of ordaining and bringing into sd Town another
minister for the other end of sd Town,
That so long and until there be provision made relating to the
premises for each or one of sd parts of sd Town to congregate by
them selves that each part of sd Town shall joyntly as [illegible]
[illegible] such charge as has or shall be needfull for the support
of such minister as shall in sd time dispence the word of God to them
at the above sd meeting in march ye 11th 1717: & the above sd
return of sd committee was publickly read in the meeting and the
question being asked by the moderator whether the Town did accept
thereof [illegible] the vote passed in the affirmative and pursuant thereunto
the Town at sd meeting by votes in writing made choise of Joseph Doane Esqr
to lay the matter premised before the General Court as is before me

the return of ye committe above sd
is faithfully transcribed from the o
riginal pr me John Paine Town clerk

unto the return of the committe abovesd these names were subscribed —

Jonathan Cole
Thomas Doane
David Doane
Jabez Snow
Ambrose Doane

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at a Town meeting in Eastham on the twenty fourth day of march anno domini
1717/18 being warned to make choice of Town officers for the following year
the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for a moderator for sd meeting
at ye sd Town meeting the Town made choice of John Paine for a Town Clerk
for Town Treasurer they they made choise at ye same meeting of John Paine

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the 24 day of march anno domini 1717/18 [illegible]
[illegible] Jonathan Higgins [illegible] and mr [illegible] Sheepper [illegible] in the Town [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

of Capt Samuel ffreeman mr Daniel Cole & Edward Knowles for Select men — — — — — — — — —

of mr Daniel Cole mr Edward Knowles John Doane Senr mr John [illegible] & mr Samuel Mayo for men to have a negative vote in disposing of lands —

for Tithingmen the Town made choice of Israel Higgins & George Ward

of Jonathan Linnell Thomas Doane Samuel Brown & Lieut John Knowles for Surveighers — — — — —

of Jabez Snow Elisha young & Isaac Doane for fence viewers

of Jeremiah Smith Junr for pound Keeper Jeremiah Smith

of John Atwood Jabez Walker & Joshua Harding for persons to see to the due observance of the law relating to Swine John Atwood Jabez Walker and Joshua Harding

At a Town Meeting in Eastham on ye 24th day of march annodomini: 171/18 The Town made choice of Samuel Smith and Joseph Cole to serve on the grand Jury the following year and of Jabez Snow and David Doane to serve on the Jury of tryalls — — — — — — — —

at the above sd meeting viz: march ye 24th: 1717/18 at the motion of mr Edward Knowles and mr David Doane the Town voted to accept of sd David Doane to be Constable in the place of sd Edward Knowles he taking the oath to serve as Constable

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whereas it so hapned in the laying out of lands in Eastham in the year of our lord 1711 it so hapned that there was no return made to the Clerk of the bounds of the [illegible] lot of John young Senior though the sd lot was notwithstanding laid out and bounded. wherefore at a Town meeting in Eastham on the ~~fif~~ fourteenth day of april anno Domini 1718. Benjamin young the son of the sd John young came to sd meeting and exhibited a paper containing the boundaries as was sd, of the lot of land as it was bounded by the Committe that laid out sd land and it being publickly read the Town Then voted that the sd lot of land as it is bounded and set forth in sd paper be 27 committed to record and held as good as if it had been recorded in order in the proper season excepting any part there that may or shall happen to intrench upon other lots of land already committed to record

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At a Town meeting in Eastham on the fourteenth Day of april 1718. warned to consider and take care about what related to the setling the differences that are in the Town about a meeting house or houses dividing the Town &c or to make choice of a committe of Judicious men for that purpouse. and being met it was at sd meeting proposed by a paper ~~written~~ drawn up the Contents whereof were as followeth (viz) it is proposed in order to be voted that the Town now proceed to make choice of a Committee of three Judicious men out of some neighbouring Towns to view our Town of Eastham & [illegible] our Circumstances and thereupon to determin whether sd Town shall divide or not and if they Judg it best for the Town to divide. then to determine where the dividing line shall be. and in case the said committee shall Judg it best for the Town to keep together and build but one meetinghouse to accomodate the whole Town then to determine where the place shall be where sd meeting house shall be set and that the result and determination of sd committe with reference to the premises shall be binding to the inhabitants of this Town to all intents and purposes and that there shall be three men chosen as agents for the Town to lay the circumstances of ye Town before sd Committe and that sd agents be [illegible]

Com. to locate meet house.

chosen one out of the northerly part one out of the southerly part and one out of the middle part of sd Town and that the sd agents shall be the only persons to lay the premisses before sd Committe. and the vote being asked by the moderator it passed in the affirmative whereupon the Town then proceeded & made choice by vote of Capt Joseph Lowthrop and mr John Baker of Barnstable and mr Elisha Hall of yarmouth for a committee to determin and issue the matters premised and also voted that Joseph Doane Esqr mr Samuel Knowles and mr Thomas Doan should be their agents as afore sd to lay the premisses before sd Committe. voted also at sd meeting that the Selectmen take care that the committe above sd be paid for their time and trouble out of the Towns Treasury

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At a Town meeting in Eastham may ye 12th 1718 warned to make choice of a person to Represent ym at ye great and General Court and at sd meeting the Town (by the major part of the voters then present) made choice of John Paine to serve for and Represent them at the great and General Court and he being present accepted of ye trust and the Town then voted to make up his wages five shillings pr diem with what the law alowes

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at a Town-meeting in Eastham on ye twelf day of may annodomini: 1718: voted that the Select men of Eastham take Care to procure a Grammer Schoolmaster for the Town

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Att a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on the nineteenth day of may annodomini: 1718: which meeting was warned and notice in and by sd warrant given that it was to Consider and do what is proper to be done for the raising of money to defray the charge of building a meeting house in Eastham as determined by ye committee and to chuse a committe to carry on sd work and to appoint a time when sd meeting house shall be built and finished and also for the Towns Concurrance with ye Church in ye choice of a gospell minister and to do what is proper to ye setling of a gospell minister among us. and also in sd notification for the above sd meeting it was also further signified and notice given that the Town [illegible] further the matter relating to ye meeting house &c and yet agree for the dividing the Town on the consideration of the great hardships which will befall some persons if ye meeting house be set where the Committe determined

at the sd meeting (viz) may ye 19th 1718 The Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for a moderator for said meeting

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at the above sd meeting may ye 19th 1718 the vote was [illegible] for by the moderator whether ~~[illegible]~~ they would first consider [illegible] and act [illegible] the matter relating to ye meeting-house and it passed in ye afirmative

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at the same meeting the question was asked by ye moderator whether the Town [illegible] to [illegible] built and finished by the next fall of ye year come twelve month and the vote passed in the affirmative

and at the same meeting it was proposed [illegible] moderator [illegible] voted that [illegible] pounds be raised to build a meeting house in Eastham agreeable to the determination of the Committe appointed by the Town for that end: which meeting house to be of the demensions of the New meeting house lately built in Barnstable and ye money [illegible] be raised by a Tax or assessment ~~[illegible]~~ and ~~[illegible]~~ levied on the [illegible] [illegible] of sd Town [illegible] ~~ate~~ [illegible] excepted) in such manner as the law is provided for the raising of money to defray Town charges &c: and that [illegible] hundred pounds of sd money shall be raised, collected, and paid in on or before the first day of april which will be in the year 1719: and the other half thereof that is three hundred pounds to be collected and paid in on or before the last day of october in ye same year which sd money shall be paid in to the Selectmen for the time being [illegible] for the ends premised those proposals being read and the vote being asked by the moderator it passed in the affirmation, and [illegible] thereunto the Town at the meeting [illegible] Lieut Nicholas Snow and mr Jonathan [illegible] as agents [illegible] Town to take [illegible] Care that the meeting house be built at the [illegible] according to ye demensions premised

Whereas we of the Church and Town of Eastham have been for a considerable time (since the death of our Revend pastour mr Samuel Treat) destitute of an established gospell minister to dispense the word and ordinances of god according to gospel rule and order. and having humbly and seriously as we hope (and as we accounted it our duty) recommended our selves and that concern by prayer and supplication and application to ye great lord of ye harvest to send forth a labourer into this vineyard. and whereas by ye good providence of our Gracious Lord we have been (as we humbly hope) so far directed in this affair as to invite and give a call to mr Samuel ozburn to come unto us who hath for about the space of half a year dispenced the word of god unto us to our general satisfaction. so that we now think it our duty to make further motion in that matter in order to give him a more effectual call to the sacred work of the gospell ministry. Therefore the Brethren of the Church of Christ in Eastham being the greatest part of them (upon due notice given) met together on the nineteenth day of may annodomini: 1718 did then (as we thought it our duty) make choice of mr Samuel ozburn to be ye pastour of the church of Christ in Eastham and the minister of the said Town. in order that he may be in due time solemnly (according to gospell order) recommended to and established in that great work of the gospell ministry. this was voted by a unanimous agreement and concurrance of the brethren of the church and desired to be communicated to the Town and recommended for concurrance.

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the nineteenth day of may: 1718. the [illegible] act of the Brethren of ye church in making choice of mr Samuel ozburn was published by vote in the said meeting and the question being asked by the moderator whether the Town did concur with the church. the vote passed in the affirmative. [illegible]

Entered pr Jno Paine Town Clerk

the churches act is signed by
Saml ffreeman
Joseph Doane
Nathaniel ffreeman
John Doane
in behalf of the church
[illegible]

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at the Town meeting abovesd voted that Capt Samuel ffreeman and Nathaniel ffreeman Esqr are desired to inform mr ozburn that the church and Town have made choice of him self for the minister of ye Town and desire of him that if he have ought to propose to ye Town he will please to inform them thereof

and the sd mr ozburn by them signified to ye Town his acceptance of the call above sd and that for his subsistance and settlement he would leave it to ye Town to do as they pleased Jno Paine ~~Town Clerk~~

whereupon the Town passed a vote as followeth (viz) That from the time mr Samuel ozburn came first into Town until one year be expired he be alowed by the Town for his incourigment and support in the work of the ministry suitable houseroom with the use of ye churches land and firewood by him self procured from off the ministerial lands in sd Town and sixty pounds paid him by the Town for the first year commencing from the time he came first into Town and ten pounds more also paid him by the Town on the consideration that he abated so much of his salary at plimouth in order to get free from keeping schoole at plimouth. and at or before the expiration of sd year for the Town to act and do what may be proper for ye incurigment and support of him self and family afterwards during the time of his continuance in the work of the ministry in Eastham as to settlement & otherwise

at a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 19th day of may 1718 voted that mr Isaac Pepper be continued in the work of keeping schools in Eastham until there be another provided

At a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 7th day of July annodomini: 1718 orderly warned and met. voted: that mr Samuel mayo be the moderator for said meeting.

At a Townmeeting in Eastham on the Seventh day of July annodomini 1718 the inhabitants of the hamlet of Billingsgate by their agents John Doane Esqr and mr Samuel Brown, prefered a petition at sd meeting praying that they may be set off to be a distinct Township from the bounds of Truro to ye Indian Brook between the dwelling houses of Isaac Doane and Isaac Higgins from thence easterly to ye sea and westerly to ye mouth of Billingsgate bay and in breadth from sea to sea. which said petition was at sd meeting several times read and the question being asked by the moderator whether they would grant the prayer of the sd petition it passed in the negative.

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the seventh day of July annodomini: 1718 orderly warned and met and notice in and by sd warning given that the Town reconsider the maters relating to the building of a meeting house and act and do what may be proper relating to ye building two meeting houses &c and at sd meeting a petition was prefered praying the reconsidering the maters relating to the building and stating the place for ye meeting house and for the ~~entertaining~~ considering and acting what may be proper for ye building two meetinghouses &c. and the question being asked by the moderator whether the Town would reconsider that matter it passed in the affirmative

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At the above sd meeting: viz: July ye 7th 1718 there was a paper presented to ye Town signed with nineteen hands or names desireing that their disent might be entered in the Town book against the proceedings of ye Town at sd meeting referring to the meeting house &c ~~might be entered in the town book~~ and the question being asked by ye moderator whether their sd disent should be entered accordingly it passed in the negative

At the above sd Town meeting: viz: July ye 7th 1718 voted that the votes and orders of the Town of Eastham relating to ye building a meeting house in sd Town passed by ye sd Town on the 14th day of april annodom: 1718 and on the nineteenth day of may: 1718: be and hereby are made void and of none Effect. and in asmuch as the building of one meeting house at the place prescribed by the Committe is like to ocasion great discontent and uneasiness to both Ends of ye Town and in asmuch as the Town lyes most convenient to be accommodated by two meeting houses one in each part it is therefore proposed that the whole Town (Billingsgate hamlet Excepted) do proceed to build one meetinghouse first at the southern part of the Town suitable to accommodate that part and that when sd meetinghouse is built that the Town take care to settle another minister able and orthodox at the charg of the Town and as soon as the northern part of ye Town shall desire to have another meetinghouse built then for the whole Town (Billingsgate Hamlet excepted) to be at the charge to build a meetinghouse suitable to accommodate the sd northern part of the Town and in the mean time that the whole Town meet at the meetinghouse now in Eastham and joyntly support the worship of God and when another minister shall be settled in the Town the whole Town to be at the charge to settle and support both the ministers until such time as the Town shall agree otherwise and those above sd proposalls were publickly read at the above sd Town meeting and the question being asked whether the Town did agree to ye sd proposalls the vote passed in the affirmative the poll being numbered by the moderator there were sixty five voters present fourty of which were for the affirmative and twentyfive for the negative

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And at the above sd Townmeeting viz: July ye 7th 1718 it was further proposed to ye Town in order to be voted: that there be three hundred pounds raised and levied on the polls and estates of the inhabitants of the Town of Eastham Billingsgate excepted to build the meeting house in the southern part of ye Town according to the above vote and also three hundred pounds more to build the other meeting house at ye northern end of ye Town as above sd sd money to be raised as the law in such case provides and that the sd three hundred pounds to build the first of sd meeting houses be assessed collected and paid in to ye Town treasurer one half thereof on or before the fifteenth day of april which will be in the year of our Lord 1719: and the other half of sd three hundred pounds to be Collected and paid in to the Town Treaſurer on or before the laſt day of october in sd year which sd money is and ſhall be for the defraying the charge and Coſt of building sd firſt meeting houſe which sd meeting houſe ſhall be built and finiſhed on or before the laſt day of october in ye year of our Lord: 1719: and that the Town choose a committe of Judicious men to take care and See that sd work of building sd meeting houſe be Carried on to Effect. and alſo after sd firſt meeting houſe is shall be finiſhed as soon as the Major part of the Town or the major part of the northerly part of the Town ſhall move therefor the other of sd meeting houſes ſhall be built to accommodate the northerly part of the Town. and it is alſo propoſed that each of sd meeting houſes be built and set up to the beſt advantage to accommodate each part of ye Town ~~the~~ the meeting houſe at the Southerly part of ye Town be set up near the northweſt corner of mr Thomas Mayos land at pochy. and the other meetinghouſe for the northerly End of ye Town be set up alittle to ye northward of the Herringpond field Comonly so Called on apeice of the Towns Comons near towards where James Mayos houſe once stood, by the Highway. and that the other three hundred pounds to be raiſed for the building of the meeting houſe at the northerly End of the Town ſhall be levied Collected and paid into the Treaſury of sd Town for the sd uſe Seaſonablely to accompliſh sd work when there ſhall be ocation as aforesd These propoſitions above written were Severall times audiblely read at the above sd meeting, and the queſtion being aſked by the moderator whether ye Town ~~[illegible]~~ did grant ~~and~~ alow and confirm sd propoſitions. and it paſsed in the affirmative and purſuant thereunto the Town at sd meeting made choice of mr Israel Cole and mr John Sparrow as acommittee or agents in the Towns behalf to take care that the meetinghouſe at the Southerly End of ye Town be built and finiſhed according to Town order and vote above written and alſo made choice of mr Edward Knowles and mr Thomas Doane as a committee to see to the carrying on the meeting houſe at the northerly End of the Town when they ſhall have order therfor.

Location of meeting houses

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att a Town meeting in eastham on the Seventh day of July anno dom: 1718 orderly warned and met voted that mr Osborn ſhall be alowed for the next year (commencing from the time that this current year according to town vote and agreement is expired) ninety pounds, and the Town to procure and find him Convenient house room to live in, and he to have liberty to cut fire wood from off the ministerial land and to have the improvment of ye land called Knowlses lot, provided that he the sd mr Osborn continues in the work of the Ministry in Eastham sd term —

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att a Town Meeting in Eastham on the 12th day of January 1718: the Town made choise of mr Samuel Doane and mr Edward Knowles to serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and general sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable.

At a Town Meeting in Eastham orderly warned, and met on Wednesday the thirtieth day of July anno domini: 1718. And notice therein given that it was to pass votes for the raising money to pay the charges of supporting the ministry and separate ~~for the paying of that sum at [illegible] to [illegible] in the offices of the [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] for the defraying the charges and county~~ and for the paying the necessary and contingent charges arising within sd Town. And it was also therein inserted that the Town reconsider and reassume the votes passed at ye last Town meeting in [illegible] referring to meeting houses and to consider whether it will not be best to enlarge the old meeting house and when the Town sees cause to build anew to set it [illegible] at or near the same place where the old one now stands and also to do what may be proper to be done referring to mr Osborns settlement among us

At the sd meeting: viz: July ye 30th 1718 ordered and voted that the select men do with all convenient speed assess on the inhabitants of the Town of Eastham (according to ye directions of ye law in that case made and provided) the sum of two hundred & sixty pounds to be collected and paid in, the one half on or before the first day of November next coming or as soon as the select men or assessors shall [illegible] and the other half on or before the last day of April anno domini: 1719, which sd money shall be for the defraying the charges of supporting the ministry & for the paying such sum or sums of money as shall be set on ye Town by the Justices of the general sessions of the peace for the defraying County charges, and such charges as have or shall necessarily arise in the Town as the schoolmaster &c and that the agreement with the hamlet of Billingsgate referring to freeing them from paying to the Town charges be duly observed

At the same meeting viz: July ye 30th 1718 after a debate on the matter it was proposed by the moderator whether the Town would reconsider and reassume the votes passed the last Town meeting (as entered in the votes of sd day: viz: July ye [illegible] 1718) relating to ye building two meeting houses and the vote passed in the negative

At the sd meeting it was proposed whether it was the minds of the ~~Town to remain~~ to enlarge the meeting house for the present and to remain in the place where it now stands for some time and when a new one is built to stand at or near the same place and the vote being asked it passed in the negative

At a Town meeting in Eastham on ye sixth day of October anno domini: 1718 The Town made choice of mr Samuel Knowles and mr John Witherel to serve on the Jury of trials at Barnstable

At ye above sd meeting the Town ordered that the select men of the Town shall account with Capt John Knowles concerning what is due to him from the Town for rent for ye house wherein mr Osborn now lives and concerning other matters wherein the Town is indebted to sd Knowles in order yt he may be paid

At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on Munday the [illegible] day of October: 1718: The Town made choice of mr John Paine (their Representative for the time being) to make answer and say what is proper to be sd ~~[illegible]~~ in answer to a petition preferred to the Great and General Court at Boston by [illegible] of Billingsgate hamlet wherein they pray for a Township to be set off from Eastham as [illegible] by sd petition may be seen. And [illegible] the said John Paine to do and act what may be proper referring to [illegible] to improve or employ any other person to be helpful [illegible] the above written was voted at the above sd meeting [illegible] Book of Eastham and is accordingly entered

pr John Paine Town Clerk.

Subscribed by John Paine Town Clerk

Samuel Freeman }
[illegible] Knowles } Selectmen
[illegible]

At a Town-meeting meeting in Eastham on the 31th day of october 1718. warned to Consider and do what may be proper for the further Setling of the Reverend Samuel Ozburn and also to do what may be proper for the obtaining another Gospel minister for the northerly part of sd Town, according to ye vote of sd Town. and forasmuch as the sd Mr Ozburn hath taken his choice to settle in the southerly part of sd Town the Town do therefore now resolve and vote that one hundred pounds be raised on the poles & Estates of the inhabitants of sd Town (to the Southward of Blackfish Crick) for the building a dwelling house for the Reverd Samuel Ozburn in such place as may best accomodate him; and that the sd money be one half thereof Collected and paid in to the Town Treasurer for that use on or before ye fifteenth day of april next Coming and the other half thereof Collected and paid in to sd Town Treasurer for said use on or before ye fifteenth day of october next Coming. and that one half part of sd hundred pounds be by the assessors put into and raised with the Rate for raising the first hundred and fifty pounds for building the meeting house at the southerly End of sd Town. and that Mr Samuel Mayo and Mr Jonathan Higgins Junr be a committe to Carry on the work of building sd dwelling house and that sd house is built and finished at or before the last day of august next Coming and that when and so soon as there shall be ocation for the same that there be one hundred pounds more raised on the poles and Estates of sd Town (to the southward of Blackfish Crick) for the building a dwelling house for such minister as shall settle in the northerly part of sd Town when there shall be ocation and that the money to be raised be paid in to the ~~Town~~ Treasurer of sd Town as above sd for building each of sd ministers houses and shall be drawn out Respectively from sd Treasurer by the Respective Committes for the defraying the Respective charge of building sd Respective houses as need shall require. Capt John Knowles being chosen Moderator for sd meeting. the vote being called for upon the above written, by the Moderator it past in the affirmative

Joseph Doane Town Clerk for this day

At the above sd Town Meeting in Eastham viz: the 31th day of october 1718: it con[illegible] that the Reverd Samuel Ozburn having taken his Choice to settle at the Southerly End of sd Town and therefore it will be Convenient for him to [illegible] there as soon as the meeting-house for that End of the Town be so far finished as to Congregate in and forasmuch as the whole Town (the Inhabitants of Billingsgate Excepted) are obliged by their former vote (on record) to look out for obtaining and setling another Gospel Minister in sd Town and the sd Town being now legally assembled for that End do Conclude and resolve that another Gospel minister be sought out for and invited into sd Town in order for his settlement in the work of the ministry in sd Town according to Gospel rule and order and the intent of the former vote of sd Town on record [illegible] that End do determine that some suitable man or men be chosen to look out for and in the name and behalf of sd Town to invite such Gospel minister into sd Town in order for his settlement in the work of the Ministry as above said the vote being called for by the moderator upon the above written past in the affirmative Joseph Doane Town Clerk for this day

At the above sd Town Meeting in Eastham viz: the 31th day of october 1718 then Capt John Knowles & Mr Thomas Doane were chosen pursuant to the above vote of sd Town in the name and behalf of sd Town to look out for and invite into sd Town a Gospel minister in order for his settlement in the work of the ministry in sd Town as above sd vote in the affirmative.

Joseph Doane Town Clerk for this day

The above written several paragraphs are faithfully Transcribed from the originall Script and therewith Compared

25 pr Jno Paine Town Clerk

att a Town meeting in Eastham on the 12th day of January anno Domini: 1718/19 the Selectmen & assessors of the Town of Eastham presented their accounts to ye Town as followeth (being an order first given to the Town Treasurer) These are to order you to pay to Samuel ffreeman Daniel Cole and Edward Knowles select men for time spent on Town business as followeth to one day apiece for granting Town meetings — 00 — 09 — 00
to taking the valluation nine days apiece — 04 — 01 — 00
to making three Rates seven days apiece — 03 — 03 — 00
to making up accounts with capt Knowles and other Town business half a day apiece — 00 04 06
also to be paid to Daniel Cole for half a day for taking up a warrant and carrying it to ye Constable to convey John Robins out of Town — 00 — 01 — 06
7 — 14 — 00
voted by the Town that sd whole account be allowed Excepting only that article of nine shillings for granting Town meetings which was disallowed by the Town vote 9
7 — 05 — 00

for bringing Mr Osborn

att the above sd meeting voted that Richard Knowles be allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury two pounds and ten shillings for bringing mr Ozburns family and goods from plimouth in ye year 1717

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the 12th day of January annodom: 1718/19 it was proposed to the Town whether they were willing to allow to Richard Knowles fifty shillings for bringing mr Ozburn his family and goods from plimouth in the year 1717 and the vote being after it passed in the affirmative

Fine of towns for not having school

att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned, and met on the ninth day of february annodomini: 1718/19 to consider and do what might be Judged proper to ~~prevent the select men~~ prevent the select men from forthwith making a rate to pay the Towns fine for not having a schoolmaster according to law. mr Samuel Knowles being chosen moderator for sd meeting. voted that in Consideration that it will be a great charge to the Town and trouble to ye Constable to make a perticular rate or assessment to raise sd sum of twenty pounds that therefore the Town Treasurer is hereby ordered to pay out of the Towns Treasury the sd sum of twenty pounds to the county Treasurer at ye time ordered by the Court of quarter sessions by their warrant and that the select men or assessors are hereby ordered and directed to raise and levie the sd sum of twenty pounds on the Town as the law directs for making of Town Rates as soon as there shall be ocation therefor. and it is further ordered and voted that the Selectmen in behalf of the Town do humbly petition his majesties Justices of the General sessions of the peace to be holden in april next to remit or abate sd fine or order the disposing thereof to the benefit and towards the support of the school in Eastham, and that mr Samuel Knowles do appear as the Towns agent to present sd petition and say what may be proper thereunto

att a Town meeting in Eastham on the ninth day of february annodomini: 1718/19 the Town made choice of mr Isaac ~~Pepper~~ Pepper to goe to ~~in the name of ye Town~~ Enquire after and to invite into Town some suitable person who is orthodox and of Good Conversation to Come into Town in order to his settlement in this Town in the work of the ministry. ~~the vote being after by the moderator passed in the affirmative~~

att a Town meeting in Eastham on the ninth day of february annodomini 1718/19 the Town made choice of mr Isaac Pepper to go to enquire after and in the name and behalf of the Town to invite some suitable person who is orthodox and of good Conversation to come into Town in order to his settlement in the work of ye ministry.

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the twenty third day of march 1718/19 orderly warned and met to chuse Town officers for the year currant — The Town at sd meeting made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for moderator for sd meeting — — — — — — — —

att sd meeting the Town made choice of John Paine for Town Clerck

for Selectmen for the year currant Edward Knowles Micaiah Snow and Lt [illegible] Snow Jonathan young & Israel Cole Junr —

att the same meeting the vote was asked by the moderator whether they would chuse Assessors distinct from the Selectmen and it passed in the negative — — — — — — — — — —

At the same meeting the Town made choice of John Paine for Town Treasurer — — — — — — — — — —

for Constables James Rogers & Isaac Baker — — — —

for men to have a negative vote in disposing of land within sd Town Daniel Cole Capt Samuel Freeman Jonathan Higgins Junr and Jabez Snow and Samuel Mayo — — — — — — —

ffor Tithingmen Isaac Pepper & Samuel Brown Junr — —

for Surveighers of Highways Jabez Snow Richard Sparrow and Elisha Eldridg — — — — — — — —

for fence viewers Samuel Doane Elisha Eldridg Junr Joseph Atwood Thomas mayo and Joseph Higgins —

for persons to see to the due observance of the law relating to Swine James Higgins, George Lewis and Beniamin Cooke — —

ffor Granjurymen Samuel ffreeman Junr & Joseph atwood —

to serve on the Jury of tryalls the next Court of quarter Sessions at Barnstable Jonathan Sparrow & Joseph Merrick Junr

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[illegible] Town met to represen-tative

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 12th day of may anno domini 1719 warned to make choice of a person to represent ~~them~~ the Town of Eastham at the General Court or assembly at sd meeting the Town by the major part of the voters then present made choice of John Paine to serve for and represent them at the great and General Court to be begun and held on wednesday the 27th day of may currant who being present accepted and the Town voted for his incouragment to add one shilling pr day to ye wages which the law allows him to make it up five shillings pr day

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Att a Town meeting in Eastham on the 12th day of may anno domini 1719 orderly warned to consider and do what may be thought proper further to be done with reference to mr Beniamin Web who by the Towns order hath been invited and is come into Town to preach probationaly and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for a moderator for sd meeting. and [illegible] the incouragment and settlement of the said mr Web in the Town in the work of the ministry it is proposed in order to be voted and concluded [illegible] the church in sd [illegible] made choice of him [illegible] to be a gospel minister in sd Town and to make known the same unto [illegible]

the said Town will proceed to act and do what by them is proper for them
to do in concurring with the sd Churches ~~[illegible]~~ act in that matter and do
now crave [illegible] pray that the Church would with all convenient speed
proceed to do what is proper by them to be done in and about the premisses that
so the sd Benjamin Web may, as soon as may be have a full call &
final call and settlement in the work of the ministry in sd Town and
that in the mean time there be due care by sd Town taken and pro
vision made for the honourable support and incouragement of the
sd mr Web amongst us in the work of the ministry until sd church
and Town have Elected and settled him in sd work and that a com
mittee be now chosen to present the premisses to him the sd mr Ben
iamin Web, and further to invite him in the Name and behalf of sd
Town to continue in the work of the ministry in sd Town until the
sd Church and town can [illegible] proceed to the confirmation
of the premisses. the vote being called for by the moderator it passed
in the affirmative the polls being numbered by the moderator there
were present seventy and six voters sixty and four whereof were for
the affirmative and twelve for the negative and pursuant thereunto
the Town at sd meeting made choice of Capt John Knowles John Rains
mr Isaac Pepper mr Daniel Cole and mr Edward Knowles for a commit
tee to acquaint mr Benjamin Web with the Towns proceedings and in
vite him to continue in the work of the ministry having such a gene
ral liking to his person his gifts and the good carracter they have
of him from persons of worth, that they have great hopes that he is
a person that will be a great blessing to them if they may be so hap
pie as to obtain him to settle amongst them and that they shall be
ready and willing to give him such incouragement as will be honourable
to them and comfortable to him. However that he may be honour
ably requited for the time he doth or may abide with us, by directi
on from the selectmen

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 28th day of may 1719 Legally
warned and & assembled to act and do what may be proper for making
choice of and giving a full and finall call unto ~~the work o~~ mr Beniamin
Web unto the work of the ministry in sd Town who for some time to
good liking and satisfaction has preached the word of God in sd Town
and the Church of Christ in sd Town having chosen and Elected the
said mr Beniamin Web to be a gospell minister in sd Town and have
moved that sd Town do concur with them in that matter. Joseph Doane
Esqr being chosen moderator for that meeting —
1) proposed in order to be voted and confirmed that the inhabitants of
sd Town assembled as above sd do now concur with sd Churches act
in the premisses and do accordingly make choice of the said mr Beniamin
Web to be a gospell minister in sd Town and do also determine that a com
mittee be now chosen to present the premisses to him the sd mr Beniamin
Web and in the Name and behalf of sd Town to give unto him the sd mr
Beniamin Web a full and finall call into the work of the ministry in sd Town
and [illegible] his [illegible] may be, ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]
[illegible] for the day

Call of Benj. Webb to ministry

2ly) proposed in order to be voted That in case the said mr Beniamin Webs receipt of the above sd call to settle in the work of the ministry in sd Town of Eastham that then sd Town proceed to build him a dwelling house pursuant to the former vote of of sd Town on record for building a dwelling house for such minister as doth settle in the northerly part of sd Town. and for his support and incouragment in the work of the ministry sd Town will pay unto him ninety pounds p ~~annum~~ year and so proportionably until sd Town and the sd mr Beniamin Web do come to a full and final agreement, and all this over and above his improvement of the ministerial lands for the northerly part of the sd Town and to the southward of Blackfish-crick and that said dwelling house when built shall be his own proper Estate and set where he the mr Beniamin Webb shall appoint in sd Town. At the sd Town meeting: viz: the 28th may: 1719: The Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr mr Isaac Pepper mr Daniel Cole mr Edward Knowles capt John Knowles mr Nicol. & Colo Samuel Doane a Committee to lay the within written before the said mr Beniamin Webb & in the name and behalf of sd Town to give unto him a full & final call into the work of the ministry in sd Town. a vote hereupon being called for by the moderator passed in the affirmative Isaac Pepper Town Clerk for sd day

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At a Town meeting in Eastham ye 29th day of June: 1719: Regularly warned and assembled to act and do what might be proper relating to the premises Joseph Doane being chosen moderator for sd meeting. (1st) proposed in order to be voted that mr Daniel Cole be chosen to joyn with mr Edward Knowles to help to carry on the work of building the meeting house at the northerly end of ye Town to the southward of Blackfish crick pursuant to the vote of sd Town on record the vote being called by the moderator passed in the affirmative

Isaac Pepper Town Clerk for this day

To build minister house

2ly) proposed in order to be voted at the above sd Town meeting: viz: June ye 29th 1719: That the sum of fourty pounds more be raised upon the poles and estates of the ratable inhabitants of sd Town (to the southward of Blackfish crick to finish the work of building the Revernd mr Samuel Ozburns house at the southerly end of sd Town and that the same be put into the next Town rates to be made and collected and paid in to the Treasurer of sd Town to be delivered to the undertakers of sd work for defraying the charge thereof. And that ye like sum of fourty pounds more be raised upon the Ratable polls and estates of sd Town to ye southward of Blackfish crick to be added to ~~[illegible]~~ the hundred pounds already voted to accomplish the building the ministers house in the northerly part of sd Town pursuant to the vote of sd Town on record. and to be raised with and disposed of according to ye directions in the said record for raising sd hundred pounds. The vote being called for by the moderator passed in the affirmative. Isaac Pepper Town Clerk for this day

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p Tho Paine Town Clerk

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to pay ministers & school masters

att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on ye [illegible] day the twentyninth day of July: 1719: and notice as was by ye warning given that it was for the Town to take care and give order for the raising money to pay the ministers salary as agreed and promised by sd Town, for the paying the school master, and for the paying the necessary charges arising within the sd = Town for the year currant. at sd meeting the Town made choice of Nathanael Freeman Esquire for a moderater for sd meeting. —
whereas there is special ocation for the raising money to pay the ministers salary and the schoolmaster and other necessary charges arising within the sd Town, them for the year currant. it is therefore agreed granted and voted by the Town at the above sd meeting that the Selectmen of sd Eastham (who are the assessors for the year currant) do with all convenient speed assess or the rateable polls and estates belonging to the Town of sd Eastham (according as the law directs) the sum of two hundred and ninety pounds and that they commit the list or lists thereof to the constable or constables of sd Town with order to collect and pay in the same to the Town treasurer or his successor in sd office the one half on or before the last day of November next or sooner if the Selectmen shall so direct and the other half on or before the last day of april next to be improved for the ends and use above sd and that they have a due regard in their so doing to the Towns agreement and grant to the Hamlet of Billingsgate

at the above sd meeting (viz) July ye 29th 1719: mr Isaac pepper laid his account before the Town of his charge and expence in going two journeys to procure a minister for the Town ~~in march~~ last spring which amounted to five pounds and fifteen shillings voted that the sd account be alowed and that the said sum of five pounds and fifteen shillings be paid to the sd Isaac pepper out of the Town treasury

Vot to finish meeting house

It: 53d proposed at the above sd meeting: viz: June ye 29th 1719: in order to be voted that the sum of sixty pounds more be raised upon the rateable polls and estates of the inhabitants of sd Town of Eastham to the southward of Blackfish creek to accomplish the building of the meeting house, or finishing the same now in building at the southerly part of sd Town, and that the assessors raise the same in the next Town rate to be made and order the payment of the same in, and out for the use above sd and that the like sum of sixty pounds be raised on the rateable polls and estates of sd Town of Eastham to the southward of Blackfish-creek to be added to and raised with the three = hundred pounds already voted and upon record granted for building of a meetinghouse in the northerly part of ~~this~~ sd Town pursuant to sd Towns vote already on record and to be ordered to be payed in and out for the use above sd as is already ordered in the vote for said three hundred pounds. The vote being called for past in the affirmative

Isaac pepper Town Clerk for this day

54th proposed at the above sd Town meeting viz June the 29th 1719 in order to be voted That both the meetinghouse and ministers [illegible] [illegible] and determined [illegible] Town [illegible] at the north part of sd Town northward from Blackfish creek pursuant to

Meeting house at N Eastham

said Towns vote on Record be by the committees or undertakers thereof Respectively built and finished in the year: 1720 and that the three hundred and sixty pounds for building sd meeting house and the hundred and fourty pounds for building of said ministers house be by the assessors raised pursuant to the votes of said Town & paid in to the Treasurer of sd Town one half thereof ~~att~~ or before the fifteenth day of april next in ye year 1720 and the other half thereof at or before the 15th day of october 1720: to be again delivered out to ye respective committees for ye Ends abovesd. The vote being calld for by the moderator fifty one voted in the affirmative and ten in the negative

Isaac Pepper Clerk for this day

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pr John Paine Town Clerk

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at a Town meeting in Eastham on the 12th day of october annodom: 1719 warned to chuse Jurymen to serve on the Jury of tryals on the 3d tuesday of october current the Town then assembled made choice of Capt Samuel ffreeman to be moderator for sd meeting.

and at sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Nathaneel ffreeman the son of Nathanael ffreeman Esqr and mr Cornelius Knowles to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferior Court of Common plees and Court of General Sessions of the peace —

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att a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 13th day of January annodom: 1719/20 orderly warned and met to chuse Jurors to serve on the Jury of Tryals for the next Court of common pleas to be holden at Barnstable at sd meeting the Town made choice of Capt John Knowles for a moderator for sd meeting and at the sd meeting The Town by a Majorvote made choice of mr Joshua Higgins and mr John Knowles Junr to serve on the Jury of Tryalls as above sd

att the above sd Town meeting viz January ye 13th 1719/20 The Town made choice of Capt Samuel ffreeman and John Paine in the Towns behalf to audit and adjust the accounts betwixt The Town and mr ffrancis [illegible] and mr John [illegible] with respect to their receipts and disbursment [illegible] the Town in building the meeting house at the southerly end of ye Town and also with mr [illegible] and [illegible] Higgins and with Respect to the building mr [illegible] house and to make a true representation to ye Town at the next ~~Convenient~~ Townmeet proper therefor.

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att a Townmeeting in Eastham on the 24th day of february annodomini: 1719 20 orderly warned and met the Town made choice of ~~[illegible]~~ Joseph Doane Esqr for a moderator for sd meeting

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att the sd meeting the question was proposed by the moderator whether ye Town would give liberty to Edward Knowles and Daniel Cole to set the meeting house at the southeast corner of ye ministerial land and the vote passed in the negative march ye 23 1718/19

att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met to choose Town officers for the year ensuing; the Town at sd meeting made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for moderator for sd meeting att the above sd meeting the Town made choice of officers for the following year as followeth: viz: for Town Clerk John Paine

for Select-men	Edward Knowles Jonathan young Israel Doane Isaac Pepper Nicholas Snow
for men to have a negative vote in disposing of land within the same	Capt Saml Freeman Jonathan Higgins Junr Saml mayo daniel Cole Jabez Snow

~~for Con~~

att the above sd meeting it was proposed by the moderator whether it was the minde of ye Town to choose three Constables for the following year and the vote passed in the affirmative

for Constables	Richard Sparrow John Mulford Benjamin young
for Tithingmen	Ebenezer Snow Samuel Higgins
Town Treasurer and Town Clerk	John Paine
for fenceviewers	John Sparrow Samuel Doane Elisha Eldridg Junr John Smith Joseph Higgins
for Surveighers of highways	Jonathan Linnell Jabez Snow Elisha Eldridg
for persons to see to the observation of the law relating to Swine	Ephraim Cole Junr Joseph Smith Thomas Nucome
for pound keeper ~~Ebenezer Smith Junr~~	Ebenezer Smith Junr
for Grandjurymen the Town made choice att the above sd meeting (viz march ye 23d 1719)	Ralph Smith David Doane

at a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 23 day of march 1719/20 the Town made choice of Isaac Doane and Israel Cole Junr to serve on the Jury of Tryalls at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and General Sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable

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Burying ground

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the 23d day of march 1719/20 it was proposed by the moderator whether the ~~the~~ Town did alow and approve of a parcell of land which lyes on the westerly End of the South meeting-house in Eastham between the sd meeting house and the land of John Paine Jund not any ways intrenching on the highways to be reserved for a burying place to bury persons in as there shall be ocation, and the vote being called for by sd moderator it passed in the affirmative

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at a Town meeting in Eastham on the ninth day of may annodomini 1720 warned to make choice of a person to serve the Town as their Representative at the Great and General Court to be holden for his majesties service at the ~~Town~~ Court house in Boston on the twentyfifth day of may Current and at sd meeting the Town by the major part of the voters then present made choice of mr Samuel Knowles to serve for and represent them at the great general Court to be Convened held and kept at the Courthouse in Boston on the twentyfifth day of may Currant ~~at nine of ye Clock~~ and the Town then voted to give him ~~fiv~~ one shilling pr day more then the law now alows so as to make up his wages five shillings pr day

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Com. to Potonomokut people

at a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met, on the seventeenth day of may annodomini: 1720. Joseph Doane Esqr being by the major vote of the legall voters then present chosen moderator for sd meeting. at sd meeting it was voted that the Town do make choice of a committe to treat with the potonomokut people (who are by the General Court set off from this wich Town and anexed to the Town of Eastham in all matters relating to ye worship of god) to see what may be done in order to compose and appease the uncomfortable difference which may happen to arise with reference to that matter and to make report of what they do in that matter to ye Town at the next proper Town meeting and accordingly the Town then made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr and mr John Sparrow to treat with the said potonomokut people as above voted

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acceptance of accts for houses

29 at a Town meeting in Eastham on the 17th day of may annodomini 1720. Capt Samuel Freeman and John Paine who were appointed by the Town to audit and adjust the accounts of mr Israel Cole and mr John Sparrow relating to their receipts and disbursments ~~Stand so wont~~ about building the meeting house in ye southerly part of ye Town made return to ye Town that they had seen and Examined sd accompts and finds that upon a just ballance of all accomps there remains nine pounds Eleven shillings and Eight pence which they deliver in to the Town Treasurer and it being put to ye vote by the moderator whether the Town did alow of sd account it passed in the affirmative and also at ye sd meeting the sd Samuel Freeman and John Paine brought in an account to ye Town that upon Examination of the accompts of mr Samuel Mayo and mr Jonathan Higgins and relating to ye building mr Ozbarns house ~~that~~ finds that there is (upon a just ballance) two pounds and threepence remaining of sd money voted that the Town do accept of the sd account and that the Town do discharge the sd Israel Cole and John Sparrow and also the sd ~~Israel~~ Samuel Mayo and Jonathan Higgins and they are hereby discharged from being any further accountable relating to ye premises

att a Town meeting in Eastham on the seventeenth day of may anno domini: 1720: Whereas it is granted by ye Town that there should be alowed three hundred and sixty pounds to build a meeting house in the southerly part of ye Town of Eastham and also one hundred and fourty pounds to build a house for mr ozborn, and also three hundred and sixty pounds to build a meeting house in the northerly or middle part of the Town and one hundred and fourty pounds to build a house for mr Webb, and whereas upon the building of ye meeting house in the southerly part of ye Town and mr ozborns house there remains (all charges heirto paid) twelve pounds Eleven shillings and Elevenpence & it may be supposed there may be something left of the sd money which is alowed for the building the meeting-house and the sd ministers house in ye middle part of ye Town. it was therefore at the above sd meeting proposed in order to be voted that what money is or shall be left and remains of the doing and finishing of sd buildings respectively shall be peculiarly appropriated to ye use and benefit of that part of the Town of Eastham who properly belong to and attend the worship of God in that meeting house. and may be disposed of by them respectively to any publick or pious use, as the Major-part of either of sd societies at an orderly meeting shall order and direct. this being proposed by the moderator and the vote by him called for it passed in the affirmative.

To ye [illegible] surplus money at [illegible]

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att the above sd Town meeting: viz: may ye 17th 1720: mr Samuel Knowles making demand of money due to him from ye Town for service done by him did then propose that if the Town will alow him to be paid thirty shillings for what service he hath heretofore done for ye Town he will take up satisfied therewith

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att ye above sd meeting: viz: may ye 17th 1720 voted that there be alowed and paid to Joseph Doane Esqur and Thomas Doane fifteen shillings each for three days apeice which they served the Town as their agents when the committe came down to settle matter relating to our meeting houses as may be seen on record

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att a Town meeting in Eastham on the twentieth day of june annodomini: 1720 orderly warned and met and notice in and by sd warning given, that it was to chuse a person to serve as representative at the great and General Court to hear the report of the Committe appointed by the Town at ye last town meeting to treat with the potonomokutt neibours and to do what may be judged proper thereon. and to chuse jurymen to serve on the jury of tryalls at the next inferior Court of Common pleas and General sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable. and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Nathanael Freeman Esqur for a moderator for sd meeting and at sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Samuel Knowles to serve for and represent them at the Great & and General Court at Boston

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on the 24th day of may 1720: Wee John Sparrow and Joseph Doane a committe for the Town of Eastham pursuant to ye trust to us committed by said Town, did discourse the potonumecut Neighbourhood at the house of mr [illegible] [illegible] to see what ye neighbourhood would pay towards the building the meeting house and the Reverd mr Samuel ozbuns house in the south part of Eastham in the year 1719 and after some loving discourse, John [illegible] Judah

Rogers Nathanael Gould Samuel Mayo and Stephen Cole do agree and Conclude to pay, or give in, to ye use of said Town of Eastham to such a price (over and above their proportions otherwayes) some time the ensuing year as Each one of them were rated to pay to sd Town in the last Town rate in said Eastham, provided they may be lovingly accepted and peace may be Continued between them and said Town, said persons have accordingly hereunto subscribed their names the day and year above written
at the above said time John Rogers did declare that upon the above ~~conditi~~ ~~on~~ Considerations he would pay or give in to ye use of sd Town the sum of one pound and fifteen shillings and hath hereunto accordingly subscribed his Name

John yeats
Judah Rogers
Nathanael Gould
Samuel Mayo
Stephen Cole
John Rogers

from the persons above ~~above~~ named the return of us sd Committe Joseph Doane
John Sparrow

at the above sd Town meeting (viz June ye 20th 1720 the abovewritten return of the above named Committe was publickly read and it being proposed by the moderator whether the Town were willing upon the Considerations above said, peaceablely and lovingly to accept of the said above named persons to Joyn with them according to the order of the General Court and also to accept of John Hurd Junr and the vote passed in the affirmative

The above said return of sd Committe is truly transcribed from the original script by them given in to ye Town at sd meeting and the Towns vote thereon faithfully recorded
pr John Paine Town Clerk

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at the above sd meeting (viz) June ye 20th 1720: the Town made choice of mr Joseph Merrick and Micaiah Snow to serve on ye Jury of tryals at the next Inferior Court at Barnstable
and at the said meeting the Town appointed mr Isaac Pepper and mr Samuel Mayo to be a committe in the Towns behalf to account with John 3o Paine as Town Treasurer Concerning his receipts and disbursments relating thereunto and to make return to the Town of their doings thereon at their next orderly meeting ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

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at a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on the tenth day of August annodomini: 1720: and notice in and by sd warning given that it was to take for the granting and raising money to defray the necessary charges arising within the same and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Capt Samuel Freeman for a moderator for sd meeting ———
at ye above sd meeting: viz: August ye tenth annodomini: 1720: the Town ordered and voted that the sum of three hundred pounds be (by the selectmen) assessed on the poll and estates of sd Town of Eastham according as the law directs to be Collected and paid in to ye Town Treasurer that is to say two hundred pounds on or before the last day of December next and the other hundred pounds on or before the last day of [illegible] next which sd money is to pay the two ministers salarys viz mr [illegible] and mr [illegible]) for the paying ye charge of ye schools and [illegible] laid on ye Town for defraying ye County charges and other necessary charges arising within sd Town

[illegible] annexment [illegible] to Eastham

B Sinad willing yard at little Bill[illegible]

At a Town meeting in Eastham warned by the Constable to choose [illegible] at the Inferior Court of Common pleas and general Goale delivery [illegible] and also notification in and by sd warning given for the town at sd meeting to do what may be proper to be done relating to an action of [illegible] [illegible] commenced by John Atwood of sd Eastham with Benjamin [illegible] of sd [illegible] [illegible] for cutting and carrying of grass or hay from a parcell of medow [illegible] little Billingsgate which sd medow was primarily allotted to William [illegible] at [illegible] in Eastham and from him legally derived to [illegible] the title thereof or otherwise to Compoun[illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ John [illegible] whether to defend the title thereof or otherwise to compound [illegible] sd Atwood and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph [illegible] for moderator for sd day — — — —

[illegible] at sd meeting the Town made choice of Benjamin Cooke and [illegible] Atwood to serve on the Jury as aforesd

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At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 16th day of January anno domini 1720/21 the Town made choice of Captn John Knowles and Jonathan Linnell to serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and general Sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable on the third tuesday in January

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At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 22nd day of march anno domini 1720/21 being orderly warned and met on ~~on wednesday the 22nd day of march~~ on said day and notice then given in and by sd warning that it was to chuse Town officers for the ensuing year and also to do what may be proper to be done with reference to selling the old meeting house. At said meeting the Town being assembled made choise of mr Isaac Pepper for a moderator for sd meeting — — — —

and at sd meeting the Town made choice for Town officers of the men respectively for Town officers as they are hereafter set down — — —

viz: for Selectmen mr Samuel Mayo mr Israel Doane mr Isaac Pepper mr Edward Knowles & mr Jonathan young — — —

ffor men to have a negative vote in disposing of lands within ye Town Capt [illegible] Freeman mr Jonathan Higgins Junr mr Samuel Mayo mr Daniel Cole and mr Jabez Snow — — — — — — — — —

ffor Town Clerk John Paine — — — — — — —

ffor Constables mr Micaiah Snow mr Jabez Snow & mr Israel young — — —

ffor Surveighers of highways Elisha Eldridg Jonathan Linnell & George Brown Junr

ffor fence viewers John Sparrow Samuel Doane Elisha Eldridg Junr John Smith and Joseph Higgins — — — — — — — — —

ffor Tithingmen Samuel Mayo Junr & James Higgins

ffor pound Keeper Jeremiah Smith — — — — — — —

ffor Hog reeves William Smith Jabez Walker & Thomas [illegible] —

ffor [illegible] Juryman Benjamin Higgins and Joseph Rogers

ffor men to serve on the Jury of tryals Lieut John Cole and James Rogers

ffor Town Treasurer John Paine

At a Town meeting in Eaſtham on the twenty ſecond day of march
annodomini: 1720/21 it was propoſed to the Town by the moderator whether it
was their minds to give liberty for ſwine going at large within the bounds of said
Town and the vote paſſed in the affirmative nimeno Contra dicente

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voted at ye ſame meeting above ſd voted that Capt John Knowles and Ralph Smith
be authorized to account with mr Daniel Cole and mr Edward Knowles relating to
the truſt which was Committed to them about building ye meeting houſe and mr Treats
houſe
allſo voted that Capt Samuel ffreeman mr Samuel Mayo and mr John Spar
row be a committe in ye Towns behalf to ſell the old meeting houſe for ye Town to
ye beſt advantage

Att a Town and propriators meeting in Eaſtham orderly warned and met on
the 22nd day of march annodomini: 1720/21 notice being given in ſd warning that it
was to conſider and do what might be proper with reſpect to Beniamin Sweat
(againſt whom John atwood brought an action at ye inferior Court of Common-
pleas at Barnſtable in october laſt and recovered Judgment againſt him for mow
ing &c on a parcell of medow which was alotted to ~~him~~ William Cole in the year 1703
and from him legally derived to John Sweat the reputed father of ſd Beniamin—
Sweat whereby the ſd Sweat is likely to loſe the greateſt part of ſd medow) that ſo
the ſd Sweat may be indempnified. mr Isaac Pepper being choſen moderator at ſaid
meeting. Voted that mr John Sparrow & mr Jonathan Linnel be and hereby are au
thorized to be a Committe in behalf of the Town and propriators of ſd Town to lay
out to ye right and proper heirs of ye ſaid John Sweat deceaſed ſo much medow in ye
ſome proper and ſuitable place of the undivided medows in Eaſtham as may make
the ſd Sweat or his heirs a reaſonable compenſation and ſatisfaction for the medow wch
ſd John atwood hath recovered from him the ſd Sweat with his propper charges expend
ed thereabout and that ~~that~~ the ſd committe make return to the Clerk of the Town
and propriety the ſcituation and boundaries of the medow they ſo lay out who is here
by authorized and directed to Commit the ſame to record.

Entered pr John Paine Town and propriators Clerk

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at a Town meeting in Eaſtham on the fifteenth day of may annodomini: 17
orderly warned and met and notis given in and by ſd warning that it was to choſe
and depute a meet perſon to ſerve for and repreſent them at the great and Gene
ral Court to be held at the Court houſe in Boſton and alſo to to conſider what the
Town would do with reſpect to the granting liberty for ſwine going at large on ye
common agreeable to ye liberty alowed by law. And at ſd meeting the Town made
choice of mr Samuel Knowles for moderator for ſd meeting
and at ye above ſd meeting it was propoſed whether it was the minde of ye
Town to grant liberty for ſwine to go at large within the Townſhip of Eaſtham
agreeable to what is in and by ye law in that caſe made and provided and ye
vote being called for by the moderator it paſſed in the affirmative
31 And at the above ſaid meeting viz may ye 15th 1721 the freeholders and other
qualified voters (by the major part of the voters) made choice of mr Samuel Knowles for their
repreſentative to ſerve at the Great and General Court at Boſton &c ——— and
alſo voted to alow him five ſhillings pr day with what is alowed him by law for
nal ſervice

At a Town meeting in Eaſtham on the fifteenth day of may annodomini
1721 warned to chuſe and depute a perſon to ſerve ye ſd Town as their re
preſentative at the General Court at Boſton &c, there was then and there brought
in and read audibly a paper or ſmale Book directed [illegible] to the province of the
Maſſachuſetts Bay by ſome perſons concerned for the good of the whole] and the
vote being aſked by the moderator whether the Town (then aſſembled) did con
cur with the propoſitions or propoſalls mentioned in ſd paper or Booke and it
paſſ in the affirmative there being ſeven and fourty voters there preſent five
and three fourty for the affirmative and two for the negative

Reading of pamphlet to Town

Att a Town meeting in Eastham on the nineteenth day
of June anno domini 1721 orderly warned and met and notice
in and by sd warning given that it was to Chuse two good and
lawfull men to serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next Inferi
or Court of Common pleas and General Sessions of the peace
to be holden at Barnstable on the first tuesday in July, and
to Consider and do what may be propper in order to ye laying out
a high-way through sd Town to Truro bounds from the head of
Namskakett and also to do what may be propper relating to Bil
lingsgate pettition for to be sett off for a precinct and at sd meet
ing the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for moderator for
sd meeting

and att sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Samuel Doane
and mr Joseph Cole to serve on the Jury of tryalls att the next in
ferior Court of Common pleas and general Sessions of the peace to be
holden at Barnstable ~~at the next inferior~~ on the first tuesday in July

Road from Harwich to Truro

att the above sd Town meeting: viz: June ye 19th 1721 it was voted
granted and alowed by the Town then met, that the way which now
goes through sd Town of Eastham from the bounds of Harwich by
Lieutt Nicholas Snows to the bounds of Truro on the north part of
the Town of Eastham alittle to the northward of the house of Eben
ezer Freeman. is and shall be alowed to be the Kings High-way
and Common Road through the Town of Eastham which sd way
begins at Harwich Bounds near the house of Nicholas Snow afore
said so from thence along the common travelling way northward
along by the house of mr Samuel Knowles Junr and so in the =
common known way passing by the House of Ensign Joseph mer
rick so along the Common-Road turning to the left hand alittle
near the land and house of Joseph Atwood passing along by the
house of Samuel Freeman Junr and so by the New meeting house
and so along in the common known roadway to the head of Silver
fish creek there turning alittle to the left hand passing along by
the house of Elisha Eldridg Junr and so along to the Herring river
or brook and so over the brook and along in the way which leads
to Truro (and goes round the head of Pamet river) untill it Comes
to the bounds of the Town of Truro this sd way to be fourty foot
wide the whole length through the Town from ye South to ye north

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Att a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 2nd day of August annodomini
1721 warned to make Choice of a representative to serve at the the great and Ge
neral Court at Boston and also notice being given in sd warning for the
Town to do what might be thought propper with respect to Billingsgate persons
petition for a Township and also to do what may be propper with respect to ye
orderly setting the undivided medows and at sd meeting being orderly warned
and met the Town made choice of Nathaniel Freeman Esqr for mode
rator for sd meeting

and att the sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Samuel Knowles to
serve for and represent them at the Great and General Court at Boston who
being present declared his non acceptance

16 At the choice of sd Nathanael Freeman Esqr who was chosen modera-tor for sd meeting but being under nessesity to depart the Town made choice of mr Jonathan Linnell to supply his place for sd meeting —

and att the same meeting the Town made choice of mr Joshua Higgins to serve for and represent them att the general Court at Boston who being present declared his non acceptance —

and at the same meeting viz august ye 2nd 1721 The Town proceeded and made choice of mr Isaac Pepper to serve for and represent them at the great and general Court at Boston &c who being present accepted and the Town voted to make up his wages five shillings pr diem

At the above sd meeting it was proposed by the moderator whether the Town were willing to take in Billingsgate Society so as to make three precincts or societies and maintain the minister in equal proportion and the vote passed in the negative —

it was at sd meeting also further proposed by the moderator whether the Town were willing to set off Billingsgate Society to be a precinct to extend Southward as far as Indian Brook and the vote passed in the negative —

Stopping road at great neck

At the above said meeting viz august ye 2nd 1721: it was proposed whether the Town is willing and do alow the neibourhood at the great neck in Eastham to shut up the wayes which goes over the flash so as only to pass by gates or Barrs. provided they alow and keep an open way of thirty foot wide through the land of Benjamin Cooke and others to go in near the house of John witherel and so to pass northward untill it comes out into the roadway on the northern side of ye Brook which comes out of ye great pond ~~and the~~ the vote being asked passed in ye affirmative

at said above said meeting august ye 2nd 1721 voted and agreed that no person or persons cut grass on any of the Common or undivided medows in Eastham ~~untill~~ before or untill ye twenty second day of august Currant

Att a Town-meeting in Eastham warned to take care and give order for the raising money to defray the nessessary charges of sd Town and their proportion to a County rate or assessment att sd meeting (which was on tuesday ye 7th day of September annodomini: 1721:) the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for moderator for sd meeting

and at the sd meeting it was agreed and voted that the Selectmen do forthwith assess the rateable inhabitants of the Town of Eastham on their polls and Estates as the law directs the sum of three hundred 32 pounds and give order for the collecting and paying in the same one half on or before the fifteenth day of November next Ensuing and the other half on or before the last day of april next coming which sd three hundred pounds is for the paying and discharging the ministers salaryes for paying the schoolmasters and defraying and paying the sd Towns proportion to a County assessment and for the paying and discharging other nessessary charges arising within said Town

on munday may ye 14 17[illegible]

att a Townmeeting in Eastham orderly warned and met [illegible] being to chose a representative to represent the Town at the great and general Court at Boston &c att sd meeting the Town made choice of John Paine to serve for and represent them at the said great and General Court who being present accepted and the Town then voted to allow sd John Paine one shilling pr day more then ye law allows so as to make up his wages five shil[illegible] pr day accept proportion of ye money

Trustees to be given commissioners

on ye 27 day of [illegible] 1721
At a town meeting in Eastham warned and met to consider and do what
may be Judged propper with reference to ye Towns proportion of the fif
ty thousand pounds granted by the general Court to be distributed to
the several towns in ye Province of the Massachusetts Bay &c
att sd meeting the Town made choice of Mr Samuel Knowles for a
moderator at sd meeting — — — — — —
and at sd meeting it was proposed by the moderator whether
it was the mind of the Town to take their proportion of the fif
ty thousand pounds Granted by the General Court at their ses
sion in march 1720/21 to be distributed to ye respective Towns with
in this province of the massachusetts Bay as sd act of ye General Court
Directs and the vote passed in the affirmative
and it was also at sd meeting voted to choose but three commission
or trustees to receive the Towns proportion of sd money

att a town meeting in Eastham on the twenty ~~eighth~~ seventh day of Sep
tember annodomini: 1721: orderly warned and met for ye purpose
The Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr Capt Samuel
ffreeman and Nathanael ffreeman Esqr for Trustees for
sd Town to receive the Towns proportion of the fifty thou
sand pounds in Bills of Credit ordered by the General Court
or assembly of his Majesties Province of ye Massachusetts Bay &c
in ye seventh year of his Majesties Reign to be emitted and dis
tributed to the respective Towns as in and by ~~an~~ ye act of sd Ge
neral Court is ordered which sd Trustees when they have re
ceived sd Bills of Credit are to dispose of the same in such
manner as they shall receive direction from the Town pursu
ant to sd Court act.
And at the above sd meeting the Town voted that the said
Trustees shall be paid by sd Town sixpence pr pound for all ye
money they let out agreeable to ye sd Towns instructions and
sixpence pr pound for all they receive in after it is so let out
and it was also further voted at sd meeting that the Town is
willing that the sd Trustees shall send for sd money by mr Isaac
proper to be brought down by water if they see cause

it was also voted at sd Town meeting that the said mo
ny shall be let out at five pr cent interest pr annum and no more

At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on thurs
day the twelf day of october annodomini: 1721 and notice in and by ye
warning given that it was to chose Jurymen to serve on the Jury of try
alls at the next inferior Court of Common pleas and General Sessions
of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable on the first tuesday in october: and
to do what is propper further to be done with relation to the Towns pro
portion of ye fifty thousand pound ordered to be emitted and distributed
to ye respective Towns. and at sd meeting the Town made choice of
mr Samuel Mayo for moderator for sd meeting
and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Ensign Joseph Merrick and
Joseph Higgins Junr to serve on the Jury of Trialls at Barnstable accor
ding to order of Court — — — — — — —

And at the above sd Town meeting viz: october ye 12th 1721: it
was voted that when the trustees who were chosen by the Town at
a Town meeting on the twenty seventh day of September last past to re
ceive the Towns proportion of the fifty thousand pound in Bills of Cre
dit which was granted to be emitted and distributed to the respective Towns

when they shall receive the Towns proportion of sd Bills of credit they shall let it out at five per Cent per annum and no more upon good security Either Real or personall unto such persons only as in the sound Judgment of the sd Trustees are responsable persons or with responsable sureties if let on personall security and if on real or land security then on valuable and clear Estates and not to let out above thirty pounds to any one person until they receive further order from the Town regularly assembled at an orderly Town meeting

at a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on wednesday the ~~fourth~~ third day of January anno domini 1721: to make choice of two men to serve on the jury of tryals at Barnstable &c and also at sd meeting to do what may be judged proper in order to making due satisfaction to mr Isaac Pepper for his trouble in bringing from Boston the Towns proportion of the fifty thousand pounds granted by the General Court. Att sd meeting the Town made choice of Capt Samuel Freeman for moderator for sd meeting —

and at sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Joseph Smith and mr Josiah [illegible] to serve on the Jury of tryals at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and general sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable

and at the sd meeting it was proposed by the moderator to alow mr Isaac pepper fifty shillings for his trouble and cost in bringing from Boston the Towns proportion of ye fifty thousand pounds granted by ye general Court which sd fifty shillings ye Trustees are hereby ordered to pay to mr Pepper out of sd Towns money in their hands and the vote passed in the affirmative

at a Town meeting in Eastham on the twenty sixth day of march anno domini: 1722: orderly warned and met and notice in and by sd warning given that it was to choose Town officers for the following year as also to make choice of four men two to serve on the jury of tryalls at the next inferior Court of common pleas and general sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable &c and ye other two to serve on the grand jury for the following year. and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Capt Samuel Freeman for moderator —

and at the above sd Town meeting The Town made choice for Town officers as followeth: viz: for Selectmen mr Samuel Mayo mr Samuel Knowles and mr Edward Knowles mr Isaac Pepper and mr Jonathan young

for men to have a negative vote in disposing of land within the Town Capt Freeman mr Samuel Mayo mr Daniel Cole mr Jonathan Higgins & mr Jabez Snow

for Constables Israel Cole Junr John Smith & John Rich

for Surveighors of Highways mr Samuel Knowles William Walker Junr & Joseph Atkins

33 for fence viewers Jonathan Linnell Joseph Atwood & John Atwood

for Tythingmen Beniamin Snow and Eliezer Atwood

for field drivers Isaac Doane & George Luis

To serve on ye Jury of tryals Thomas Bacon & Ralph Smith

for grand jurors Nathaniel Mayo Beniamin Hamlin & Richard [illegible] junior

for Pound keeper Jeremiah Smith Junr

for Town Clerk John Paine

for Town Treasurer John Paine

att a Town meeting in Eastham on the twenty sixth day of march 1722 on consideration of the low circumstances of Richard Cooke voted that sd Richard Cookes rates formerly as is brought with mr John Mulford and his rates with Jabez Snow be abated him — — — —

At the same meeting the Town made choice of capt Samuel ffreeman and mr Nicholas Snow to account with Jonn Sparrow concerning his receipts and disbursments as Town Treasurer —

At a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on thursday the seventeenth day of may annodomini 1722: and notification given in and by sd warning that it was to chuse and deput a person to serve as representative for sd Town at the great and general Court at Boston, and also to do what may be proper in giving order or allowance to those persons who undertake to fence the flats and sedgground on the western sea shoar in sd Town to shut up the lanes and private ways which lead down to sd shoar — — — —

and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for a moderator for sd meeting — — — — — — — — — —

and at the above sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Isaac Pepper to serve as their Representative at the sd Great and General Court who being present

Whereas the proprietors of the undivided medows flats and sedg-ground in Eastham did at ameeting of sd propriators on the twentyninth day of march annodom 1722. grant liberty to fence in the western seashoar so as to secure it from horses and cattle &c: from feeding or grasing thereon for the space of seven years and several persons have since become obliged to do it. But whereas to secure sd seashoar it is nessessary that the lanes or private ways which lead down to sd sea shoar from Great Namskakett to ye grape vine swamp commonly so called be shut up, it is Therefore granted and voted by the Town at the above sd Town meeting viz: may the 17th 1722: That the sd persons who are obliged to fence sd seashoar as above sd shall have free liberty during sd Term. and liberty is hereby fully granted unto them the sd obliged persons to fence upon the lanes and by-ways which lead down to sd sea shoar during the sd term of seven years from Great Namskakett to ye grapevine swamps only they are hereby obliged to set up and maintain during sd term suitable and convenient gates or Barrs at all such places as there is or shall be nessessary occation for people to pass or repass conveniently upon all ocations

At a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on wednsday the [illegible] day of august annodomini: 1722: and notice in and by sd warning given that it was for the Town to consider and do what may be propper for ye raising money for ye defraying Town and County charges as also what may be proper to [illegible] in a petition which John Doane Esqr hath exhibited to ye General Court for a Township at or near Indian Brook and also to appoint some persons to repair such lots of medow as are possessed with ye sand. and at ye sd meeting the Town made choice of capt Samuel ffreeman for a moderator for said meeting — — — — — —

And at the ~~said~~ above sd meeting The Town ordered and voted that the Selectmen do forthwith [illegible] the rateable inhabitants of the Town of Eastham and others (as ordered by the general Court) on their polls and estates the sum of ~~two~~hundred pounds and give order to the respective Constables to collect and pay in the same the one moiety on or before the last day of November next and the other half on or before the last day of April next ensuing the date hereof which sd money is to be improved for the paying and discharging the two ministers salarys, the charge of sd Town the wages of the Towns Representative at ye general Court the Towns proportion of the County Rate for this present year and other nessessary charges arising within sd Town

Att a Town meeting in Eastham on the first day of august annodomini 1722
The Town being served with a coppie of a petition preferred to ye general
Court by John Doane Esqr praying that Billingsgate may be set off for a distinct as
far as Indian Brook &c it was at sd meeting proposed to ye moderator whe
ther the Town would choose an agent to answer to sd petition at sd gene
ral Court and the vote passed in the affirmative and accordingly the Town
at sd meeting made choice of mr John Paine as their agent to appear
for sd Town at the great and General Court to say in ye Town of East
hams behalf why they think ~~it unreasonable~~ that ye prayer of sd peti
tion ~~should not~~ be granted or to say or do what may be proper in ye
Towns behalf ~~with~~ referring thereunto and to improve an attourney if
he shall see cause to assist him in ye premises

Whereas several persons complain that their lots of medow which
were laid out in ye year 1703: are lost and spoiled by the sea or sand
breaking in upon them and therefore desire their sd lots may be amended
pursuant to a vote of ye Town in sd year when the medows were laid out
X it was therefore voted by the Town at a Town meeting on the first day
of august annodomini: 1722: That Capt John Knowles mr Jonathan Linnell
and mr Ralph Smith be a committe to view sd lots and where they are
really lost so as to be proper to be amended by vertue of sd vote then to
lay out to them medow to make up their lots proportionably to what ye
medow reserved for that end will hold out and to be done at the charge
of them that have their lots amended

att a Town meeting in Eastham warned and met on wednesday the 3d
day of october annodomini: 1722: and notice in and by sd warning given yt
it was to chuse jurymen to attend the next Court at Barnstable as also to do
what may be proper Relating to a lot of medow formerly laid out to Caleb Hopkins
in ye Great medow and now in the possession of Thomas Rich —
and at sd meeting mr Samuel Mayo was chosen moderator
at sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Jonathan Linnell and Thomas
Mayo Junr to serve on the Jury of tryalls at ye next inferior Court of common
pleas and General Sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable &c

Att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on munday ye
31th of December 1722. Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator the Town
Elected mr Daniel Cole and mr Richard Sparrow to serve on ye Jury of tryalls at
the next Inferior Court of common pleas and General Sessions of ye peace to be hol
den at Barnstable on the third tuesday in January next

Att a Town meeting in Eastham on the twenty seventh day of march anno
domini: 1723 warned to choose Town officers for the following year as also to elect
and depute two men to serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next inferior Court
of common pleas &c at Barnstable as also to elect and depute two men to serve
on ye Granjury for the following year at the sd meeting the Town made choice
34 of mr Joseph Merrick for moderator for sd meeting

Att sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Edward Knowles and Daniel
Smith to serve on the Granjury for ye following year
and to serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next Inferior Court of common
pleas the Town made choice of Robert young Junr and Joseph Smith

and for officers for the ensuing year the Town made choice as followeth
viz: for Town Clerk John Paine: for Town Treasurer John Paine
for Select men mr Samuel Mayo [illegible] Freeman mr Isaac Sparrow mr Sa
muel Knowles Junr & mr Samuel Brown
for constables Ralph Smith Isaac Higgins & David Cole
for fence viewers mr Jonathan Linnell Joseph Atwood & John Atwood
for [illegible] [illegible] Samuel [illegible] for
[illegible] Daniel Cole mr Samuel Mayo [illegible] Higgins [illegible]

for Surveighers of ye highways mr Daniel Cole [illegible] [illegible] &
Samuel mayo Junr
for pound keeper Jeremiah Smith Junr
for Hogreeves David young Jonathan Cole & William Lewis

at the above sd meeting it was proposed whether it was the minde of the
Town to alow Swine to go at large (being yoaked and ringed according to law)
for this present year and the vote being calld by ye moderator it passed in the
affirmative — — — — — — —

for tithingmen the Town at ye above sd meeting made choice of mr Samuel
Doane and John Hurd

At the above sd Town meeting viz: march ye 27th 1723 voted that the se
lect men take all Speedy and effectual Care to provide a School master for the Town
according to law — — — — — — —

at the above sd Town meeting viz: march ye 27th voted that mr Samuel Knowls
John Paine & mr Isaac Pepper do wait upon the Committe (appointed by the ye Ge
neral Court in answer to ~~mr Doan~~ the petition of John Doane Esqr and mr
Isaac Baker referring to Billingsgates being set off) when they shall come down
about sd business, and in ye Towns behalf to lay before them ~~and~~ the true Circum
stances of ye Town

att ye Town meeting above sd voted that Richard Cooks Town rate for ye year
1722 and what John Hurd is behinde of his rates with the late constables viz Richard
Sparrow and Micaiah Snow shall be abated and the Town Treasurer is hereby
ordered to alow the same with the respective Constables — — — —

at the above sd Town meeting viz march ye 27th 1723 John Paine laid be
fore the Town the charges of his two journeys to Boston in the Towns Service
which amounted to eight pounds eight shillings and three pence in ye whole
and the vote being called by the moderator whether they alowed sd charges and
it passed in the affirmative

at the above sd meeting viz: march ye 27th 1723 it was proposed
to ye Town by ye moderator whether it were the minde of ye Town
that Swine should go at large on ye Commons in Eastham for the fol
lowing year being yoaked and ringed according to ye directi of ye law &
the vote being Called by ye moderator it passed in the affirmative

At a Town meeting in Eastham warned and met on the 14th day of may annodomi
ni 1723: and warning given that it was to Elect and depute a meet person to represent
ye Town at the General Court at Boston & at sd meeting Joseph Doane Esqr was cho
sen moderator — — — — — —

and at sd meeting the Town by the major part of the qualified voters made choice
of mr Samuel Knowles — to serve for and represent them at the great and General
Court in Boston pursuant to a warrant from ye Sherriff of ye County of Barnstable
voted that this meeting be adjourned to ye house of Ensign Joseph merrick
and accordingly it was adjourned to sd house and there met the same day where
mr Knowles being present declared his acceptance provided the Town would alow him one
shilling a day more than the law has alowed viz: five shilling pr day in ye whole which
being proposed to the Town whether they would make him that alowance and it passed
in ye affirmative — — — — — —

att a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 23 day of June anno dom 1723 mr John
[illegible] being chosen moderator the Town made choice to serve on the Ju
ry of Trials at the Court of Common pleas and General Sessions of ye peace to be
holden at Barnstable on ye [illegible] tuesday in July next of Capt [illegible] & mr Joshua
Hopkins and Isaac Atwood

72) att a Townmeeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on mun
day ye 19th day of august annodomini 1723 and notice in and by sd warn
ing given that it was for the Town to do what was proper in order to
the raising money to defray and pay the two ministers salary and to payy
County Charges and other nessessary Town charges as scool-master &c
at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for modera
tor for sd meeting And at sd meeting the Town ordered and voted that
the selectmen do forthwith asses the rateable inhabitant of the Town
of Eastham and others (as ordered by the General Court) on their polls
and estates (as the law directs) the sum of three hundred pounds and
give order to ye respective Constables of sd Town to collect and pay in ye
same to ye Town Treasurer ~~[illegible]~~ one moiety thereof on or before the
last day of November next and the other half on or before the last =
day of april next coming which sd money is to be improved for the
paying and discharging the two settled ministers salarys according to
Town agreement the Towns proportion of the County rate which is or
shall be set on them for this year, and for the paying for school, Repre
sentative, and other nessessary Town charges,

Att a Town meeting in Eastham warned to choose Jurymen for ye following
court and met on ye 7th day of october anno domini 1723 at sd meeting mr
Ralph Smith was chosen moderator for sd meeting and at sd meeting
the Town then assembled made choice of mr Joseph Mayo John Paine &
Israel Cole to serve on ye Jury of Tryalls at the next inferior Court
of common pleas and General Sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barns
table

Att a Town meeting in Eastham on the fifteenth day of January annodomini 1723
warned to elect and depute three men to serve on ye Jury of tryalls at ye next Court at
Barnstable. being duly warned and met. the Town made choice of [illegible]
Esqr for moderator for sd meeting and at sd meeting the Town did elect and depute
mr John Sparrow mr John Mulford and Joshua Brown to serve on the Jury of tryalls
at the next Inferior Court of common pleas and general Sessions of ye peace
within and for sd County [illegible]
to be holden at Barnstable on the
third tuesday of ~~th~~ January

Att a Town meeting in Eastham on the ninth day of march annodomini 1723/4
3 being orderly warned and met and notice in and by sd warning given that it
was to choose Town officers for ye following year as the law directs as also and do
what may be Judged proper to prevent the disorderly driving of sheep at their [illegible]
time as also to consider and do what may be proper in order to the setting or run
ing the range betwixt the land of William Brown and the Town or proprietors
of sd Town. Att sd meeting the Town made choice of capt Samuel Freeman for
moderator for sd meeting

And at the above sd Town meeting the Town voted to choose but three selectmen
for the following year — — and accordingly the Town made choice of, for Selectmen mr Edward Knowles mr William
Snow and mr Jonathan young — — — — — — — —

ffor Town Clerk the Town made choice of — John Paine
ffor Town Treasurer the Town made choice of — John Paine

ffor Constables The Town made choice of Timothy Cole george Brown ~~&~~ Samuel Smith

ffor men to have a negative vote in disposing of land Capt ~~Saml~~ ffreeman
Daniel Cole Samuel Mayo Deacon Jonathan Higgins & Jabez Snow — —

ffor Surveyors of the highways Jonathan Linnell Elisha Higgins & Israel young

ffor fence viewers Joseph Cole William Walker & John atwood —

ffor pound Keeper the Town made choice of Jeremiah Smith Junr

ffor [illegible] Robert young & Thomas Thatcher

At the Town meeting mentioned on the other side viz march the ninth 1723/4 the Town voted that Capt Samuel ffreeman and Joseph Doane Esquire should account with John Paine as Town Treasurer on the Towns behalf

At the same meeting the Town voted to adjourn this Town meeting to the 30th day of this instant march at ten of ye clock forenoon

At a Town meeting in Eastham adjourned from march ye 9th 1723/4 to march ye 30th following. and notice given that it was for the Town to consider and do what may be judged proper in order to prevent the disorderly driving of sheep at shearing time annually as also to do what may be proper referring to swine going at large as also to do what may be proper in order to the destroying of Blackbirds. and a meeting was warned this day to chose grandjurours and petty Jurymen. at sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Edward Knowls for a moderator for sd meeting

At sd meeting the Town made choice of, for grandjurymen Thomas Gross for Billingsgate precinct, for Eastham Town, John Taylor and Theophilus mayo —

And for men to serve on the Jury of Tryalls mr Samuel Doane Joshua Higgins and Daniel mayo

At the above sd Town meeting: viz: march ye 30th 1724: it was proposed by the moderator whether it was the mind of the Town that swine should go at large according to the liberty alowed by law and the vote called for it passed in the affirmitive — — — — — — — — — —

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the eleventh day of may annodomini: 1724 warned to make choise of a person to serve the Town as their Representative at the General Court at Boston &c at sd meeting the Town by the major part of the voters then present made choice of John Paine to serve in sd trust who being present accepted and the Town voted at the same meeting to alow him one shilling pr day for his incurrigment more then is alowed by law

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the eleventh day of may annodomini: 1724 voted by the Town that the committe who were ordered by the Town and did sell and dispose of the old meeting house be alowed their reasonable demands for their trouble and that they pay in the remainder of the money (the produce of sd meeting house) to mr. John Paine Town Treasurer to be improved for the Towns use

At the above sd Town meeting it was at the ~~request~~ motion of several neighbours put to vote whether it was the minde of the Town that ye selectmen should lay out for the use of ye Town a way where the lane now is between the land of Joseph Doane esquire and mr Thomas mayo on ye northern side and the land of mr Jonathan Linnell on the South side to be an open way for the benefitt of such as need it ~~voated~~ — — —

[illegible]

At the above said Town meeting viz may the eleventh 1724 voted that ye selectmen prefer a petition to ye General Court to pray that the Haywards may not be compelled to go about to take care of swine unless they be complained to or desired by some person or persons to do it

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the third day of July annodomini: 1724. orderly warned and not a notice in and by sd warning given that it was to take care and order the raising of money on the polls and estates of the rateable inhabitants and dependances of the Town of Eastham for the discharging and paying the ministers salary and the county and Towns nessessary charges and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Capt Samuel ffreeman for a moderator for sd meeting.

Att the fore sd Town-meeting viz July ye 3d: 1724 The Town ordered &
voted that the Select men do forthwith assess the rateable inhabitants of
the Town of Eastham (and others as ordered by the General Court) on their
polls and Estates the sum of two hundred and Eighty pounds and Give order
to the respective Constables to Collect and pay in the same each one their
respective proportion to them committed the one moiety on or before the =
last day of November next and the other moiety on or before the last day
of april which will be in the year of our Lord 1725. which sd money is to
be improved for the paying the two ministers salaryes the wages of the School
master and Representative the Towns proportion of the County rate &
shall be set on them for this year. and other nessessary Town charges

Att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on monday ye
twelfth day of october anno dom: 1724 and notice by sd warning given that it was
to chose Jurymen for the next Court to be holden at Barnstable and at ye meet
ing the inhabitants then met made choice of mr Edward Knowles for moderator
for sd meeting. and at sd meeting the Town made choice of George Lui Natan
iel Freeman Junr and Joseph Doane ~~William Smith~~ to serve on the Jury of tryalls at ye
next Inferior Court of common pleas and general sessions of ~~[illegible]~~ ye
peace to be holden at Barnstable &c

Att a Town meeting in Eastham on the Eleventh day of January
annodomini: 172 4/5 orderly warned and met and notice in and by
sd warning given that it was to chose Jurymen for the next Court &
also for the Town to chose an agent or agents to answer the Towns pre
sentment which was at the Sessions in october last for not having a
pound in the north precinct. Att sd meeting the Town made choice
of Joseph Doane Esqr for a moderator for sd meeting
Att sd Meeting the Town made choice of Samuel Doane Junr Thoma
s Higgins and William Paine to serve as Jurors at the next inferi
or Court at Barnstable

and also at the sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Jonathan
Linnell and william Paine as agents for the Town, they or ei
ther of them to answer in the behalf of the Town of Eastham to
the Towns presentment at the sessions in october last for not having
36 a pound in the north precinct

Att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on the fifteenth
day of March annodomini: 1724/5 and notice in and by sd warning given that
it was to chuse Town officers for the following year according to law as also to
chuse three men to serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next inferior Court of com
mon pleas and general sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable &c and to
make choice of two men to serve as Grandjurors for ye following year as also to consi
der and do what may be proper relating to ye exchanging some land with mr Samuel
Knowles for ye conveniency of a way through some of his land at the head of the Town
Cove. And at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for a mode
rator for sd meeting

Att the above sd Town meeting viz: March ye 15th the Town made choice
ffor Town Clerk John Paine ffor Town Treasurer John Paine
ffor Selectmen Mr Isaac Pepper mr Edward Knowles & mr Micajah Snow
and whereas by the law of ye the Select men are to be the assessors where no o
ther are chosen and are allowed by law but two shillings per diem it is therefore vo
ted by ye Town at the above sd meeting that the Selectmen shall be alowed one
shilling and sixpence a day more then the sd two shillings allowed by law for
each day which they nessessary spend and are imployed in making the lists
for assessments

At the aforesd Meeting: viz. march ye 15th 1724/5 The town made choice for men to have a negative vote in disposing of land within the same Capt Samuel ffreeman mr Daniel Cole mr Jonathan Higgins mr Samuel Mayo & mr Jabez Snow

- ffor Constables mr Samuel Brown and mr Joseph Rogers & Joseph atwood
- ffor Tithingmen George Williamson Daniel atwood & Elisha Hopkins
- ffor Surveighors of ye Highways Jabez Snow Israel Doane Joseph Higgins
- for fence viewers William Walker Joseph Cole & John atwood
- for hogreeves William Twining & Israel young
- for pound keeper Jeremiah Smith
- ffor Grandjurymen Elisha young & Christian Remich
- ffor men to serve on the Jury of tryalls Israel Cole Thomas Mayo jr and Jonathan Sparrow

Whereas it is observable that the Black-birds do much Dammage within the Town of Eastham both by pulling up the indian corn in the spring and also by picking the ears and destroying the corn towards harvest time Therefore to the intent that persons may be incouraged to kill and destroy sd injurious Birds it is agreed and voted by the Town at a Town meeting in march ye 15th 1724/5 That if any person or persons shall within the Township of Eastham, at any time from this day to ye last day of may next coming kill any old blackbirds and bring in their heads to any one of the Select men of this Town, he or they shall be alowed and paid out of the Town Treasury two shilling for every twelve such heads which he or they shall so kill and bring in and so proportionally for any greater or lesser number and in like manner shall be alowed and paid for any young Black birds heads which shall be killed and brought in within sd term being such as may be distinguished from other birds and so also proportionable for any greater or lesser number

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the fifteenth day of march anno Domini: 1724/5 at the request of mr Samuel Knowles it was voted by ye Town of Eastham that they are willing and do alow the sd Samuel Knowles to fence in and enclose the land on the northwestern side of his field or land which was formerly his Brother John Knowleses so far as ye fence and ditch which did formerly enclose the sd land did formerly stand and no further. provided he the sd Knowles do him self his heirs & assigns (so long as they keep the said land enclosed as above said) alow a convenient footway for persons at all times to pass over the corner of his land near the medow towards the house of mr Joshua Hopkins at the Easterly corner of his meadow

At a Town meeting in Eastham in may ye 17th 1725 warned to make choice of a man or men to represent ye Town at a great and General Court to be convened held and kept at the Court house in Boston on wednesday ye 26 day of may 1725 and also to consider and do what may be judged proper relating to ye managing sheep and rams. at the same meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane for a moderator for said meeting. and at the same meeting the Town by ye major part of the voters then present made choice of mr John Doane to serve for and represent them in the great and general Court as above sd who being present accepted provided the Town would alow him twelve pence per diem above ye [illegible] which was granted and voted by ye Town

Whereas James Linkhorne of Eastham hath been long under diffi-
cult circumstances by reason of Bodily weakness and there being ~~[illegible]~~
a hopeful prospect that he may obtain a cure by a person at Rhode Island
if he can be got thither: Voted by the Town of Eastham at a town
meeting in sd Eastham on the seventeenth day of May annodomini 1725
that if the Selectmen of Eastham will take care to get him the said
James Linkhorne to Rhode Island with necessary matterials (according
to direction) for the effecting his cure the Town will take especial
care to pay ye proper cost thereof and do hereby order and vote that
that there be forthwith paid twelve pounds out of the Town treasury
towards the perfecting thereof and that the Town will take effectual
care that any further charge thereabout (if any be) shall be paid and
discharged by ye Town when a perticular account of ye said charge shall
be laid before them —

att a Town meeting in Eastham on the seventeenth day of may anno
domini 1725 voted that for the future for the space of three years
next coming there be certaine places assigned whereto to drive sheep
for shearing that shall go at large in ye sd Town of Eastham, and that
no person or persons shall drive any sheep into inclosures for shearing
until ye first day of June annually during sd term, and that the
places assigned for that use and purpose be at ye dwelling house of
mr Thomas Mayo senr and at ye house of mr Samuel Knowles and
at the dwelling house of mr Ichabod Higgins and at the Town
pound and another at the house of Thomas Mayo Junr as also
one at the house of Capt Samuel Freeman, at the dwelling
house of Deacon Edward Knowles at the dwelling house of George
Brown and at the dwelling house of Isaac Higgins only all such
as have sheep running at large to ye northward of Samuel
Deanes and Daniel Atwoods may drive up such sheep to shear
37 them on the tenth day of May annually and not before and
that all sheep that shall be so drove up to shear and put in
yards shall be kept up twenty four hours unless they shall be
claimed and taken away by the owners within that time

Att a Town Meeting in Eastham on the sixteenth day of August
annodomini: 1725 orderly warned and met and notice in and by said warn-
ing given that it was to take care and order the raising of money to pay
the two ministers salary and for the support of the School and all other
necessary Town & county charges and at sd meeting the Town then assembled
made choice of mr Isaac Pepper for a moderator for sd meeting

and at the above sd Town-meeting viz August ye 16th 1725 the Town or-
dered and voted that the Selectmen (the Selectmen being assessors and others as order-
ed by ye General Court) on their polls and estates the sum of three hundred
pounds and give order to ye Respective Constables to collect and pay
in the same each one their respective proportions to them ~~[illegible]~~
committed the one moiety on or before the last day of November.

next and the other moiety on or before the last day of april
which will be in ye year of our Lord 1726: which sd money is to
be improved for the paying the two ministers salarys: viz: mr Os
born and mr Webb, for paying the charges of the School the County
charges which shall be proportiond to this Town for this year
and for the paying all other nessessary Town charges.

At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 16th 1725 The Town made
choice of mr Isaac Pepper and mr Ralph Smith as a Committee in
the Towns behalf to account with John Paine Town Treasurer rela
ting to his receipts and disbursments since the last ballance of may
the fifth 1724
at the above sd meeting voted that the Constable Timothy Cole
do abate Nicholas Paines rates set down in the lists ~~of~~ committed to
him to collect and ye ye Town Treasurer alow and abate it with said
Constable

to chose jury men for the following Court
att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and being met
according to sd warning on monday ye 4th day of october annodom: 1725
they made choice of mr Edward Knowles for ye moderator for sd meeting
and att ye sd meeting the Town then assembled made choice
of John Rich Samuel Atwood Elisha Hopkins and John Brown Junr
to serve on ye jury of tryalls at the next inferior Court of common pleas
and generall sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable &c

att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on the twen
ty seventh day of December annodomini 1725 which meeting was warned
to make choice of three good and lawfull men to serve on ye Jury of tryalls
at ye next Inferior Court of common pleas and General sessions of the
peace to be holden at Barnstable on the third tuesday in ~~april~~ Janeuary
next at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for
a moderator for sd meeting and at the sd meeting viz December the
27th 1725 The Town then assembled made choice of Lievt John Cole mr
David Doane and mr Daniel Smith to serve on the Jury of tryalls at
the Court at Barnstable as above sd

att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on wednesday
the sixteenth day of march annodomini 1725/6 and notice in and by sd warn
ing given that it was to chose Town officers for the following year as the
law directs and also to consider of and do what may be proper to be done for
the support of our Revnd ministers and also to make choice of grand jurymen
for ye following year and men to serve on the jury of tryalls at the next inferi
or Court of common pleas and General sessions of ye peace at Barnstable
and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for a
moderator for sd meeting
and att the above sd Town meeting the Town made choice for Town officers
for the following year as followeth viz:
for Town Clerk John Paine ffor Town Treasurer John Paine
- for Selectmen mr Isaac Pepper mr Edward Knowles & mr Israel Doane
- for men to have negative vote in disposing of land Capt Samuel Free
man mr Daniel Cole mr Samuel Mayo mr Jonathan Higgins & mr Eleazer
Snow
- for Constables mr Benjamin Higgins mr Josiah Harding & mr Eleazer
Freeman
for Surveighors of the ways Nathaniel Doane Eber Snow & Jonathan
Young — for ~~pound~~ Keeper Jeremiah Smith

ffor

8) ffor fence Viewers Joseph Cole William Walker & John atwood —
—ffor Tithing-men Theophilus mayo John Brown & Samuel atwood
—ffor men to serve on the Jury of Tryalls Capt John Knowles mr Samuel Smith mr Joseph Smith & mr Isaac Doane — — —
ffor Grandjurymen mr Jonathan Linnell mr Thomas Mayo Junr & mr Benjamin Hamlin — — — — — —

Then by the vote of the Town the meeting was adjourned to tomorrow ten of the Clock forenoon and notice further given to the Town then present & every of sd meeting that they should then consider and do what may then be Judged proper relating to ye Towns proportion of money which they received of the Provinces Treasurer be their part of the fifty thousand pound

at the above sd Town meeting continued by adjournment to thursday march the seventeenth 1725/6 Voted that there be alowed and paid to ye Revernd mr Samuel Osborn & the Reverend Benjamin Webb out of the Town Treasury ten pounds each in Bills of Credit on or before the twentieth day of November next for their further incouragment in ye work of the ministry

—At the above sd Town-meeting continued by adjournment from march ye 16th 1725/6 to march ye 17th following on consideration of the difficulty which hap[illegible]eth relating to the Towns proportion of the fifty thousand pounds in Bills of Credit granted by the General Court in the year of our Lord 1720 of which Easthams proportion was four hundred & ~~fifty~~ sixty six pounds and ten shillings which sd sum the Town of Eastham received and committed it to Joseph Doane and Nathanael Freeman Esquers and Capt Samuel Freeman Gentleman as Trustees in sd Towns behalf to let out sd Bills of Credit according to such instructions and directions as they then received from sd Town but the Town being now not well satisfied with the management of that affair it was therefore at the above sd Town-meeting proposed to ye Town by the moderator whether sd Town would deliver up their whole right and intrest in and to sd Bills of Credit committed to sd Trustees as above said provided they the sd Trustees would give sufficient security to ye sd Town of Eastham to save sd Town harmless from any trouble or charge which may happen or accrue to sd Town of Eastham thro any failure which shall or may be made by reason of sd Bills of Credit not being paid into the publick Treasury of the Province conformable to ye act and order of the General Court relating thereunto. This being at sd meeting proposed to ye Town as afore said and the vote being asked by the moderator it passed in the affirmation and in order thereunto and that the matter might be carried on to Effect, the Town then made choice by vote of mr John Sparrow mr Samuel Doane and mr Israel Cole as agents in the Towns behalf to take bonds of ye above said Joseph Doane Nathanael Freeman and Samuel Freeman to secure the Town in that matter and also to give such instrument in the Towns behalf to sd Trustees as may secure them in their right and property in and unto the sd £466-10 and in case any thing be hereafter found wanting to enable ye sd Joseph Doane Nathanael Freeman and Samuel Freeman their executors or administrators for the lawful recovery of the sd £466 10 of the respective persons to whom it is by them lett the Town will do what may be further necessary and proper to enable them thereto —

At a Townmeeting in Eastham on Wednesday the twenty second day of June 1726 Edward Knowles was chosen moderator. And Samuel Doane Junior Clerk for that day and John Sparrow Rogers Richard Higgins and Stephen Sparrow were chosen Jurymen for ye following Court at Barnstable — — — — — —

16.6.8 —

At a Town-meeting in Eastham on ye eighth day of august anno Domini 1726 orderly warned and met and notice in and by said warning given that it was to take care to raise money for the paying the ministers salary for the paying the School charges and other necessary charges arising within sd Town and at sd meeting mr Edward Knowles was chosen moderator

and at the above sd meeting it was ordered and voted that ye Select men (who are the assessors) do forthwith assess the ratable inhabitant of this Town of Eastham (and such others as are ordered to pay to this Town) on their polls and Estates the sum of three hundred and twenty pounds and commit the list or lists of sd assesments to the respective Constables and order them to collect and pay in each one their respective proportion to them committed to ye Town Treasurer the one half part thereof on or before the last day of November next Ensuing the date hereof and the other half on or before the last day of april which will be in ye year of our Lord: 172[illegible]. which sd money is for the paying the ministers salary that is to say two hundred pounds thereof. for the paying the charges of ye School and Schoolmaster such County= charges as shall be orderly set on sd Town and other necessary charges as shall arise within sd Town —

At a Town-meeting in Eastham on ye fifth Day of october annodomini 1726 orderly warned to make choice of four men to serve on ye Jury of tryals at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and General Sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable on the third tuesday in october and at said meeting the Town made choice of mr Josiah Harding — for a moderator for sd meeting, and and at sd meeting David young Joseph Cole William Walker and James Brown to serve on ye Jury of tryalls as above sd — —

at a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned to chose four Jurymen to serve on ye Jury of tryalls at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and general Sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable within and for the sd County of Barnstable on ye third tuesday in January and being met at the South meeting house in sd Eastham sd meeting was adjourned to ye house of Joseph Doane Esqr and at sd meeting Joseph Doane Esquire was chosen moderator. and at sd meeting mr Joshua Higgins Nathanael Mayo James Smith and Thomas Bacon were Elected and deputed to serve on the Jury of Tryalls as above sd,

At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on the thirteenth day of ~~April~~ march: 1726/7 and notice given that it was to chose Town officers for the following year as also to make choice of granjuriors for ye following year and men to serve on the Jury of tryalls at the next Court of quarter Sessions in Barnstable on the first tuesday in april and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for moderator for sd meeting

and at sd meeting (viz) march ye 13th 1726/7 The Town made choice for Town officers for ye following year the following persons: Viz: for Town Clerk John Paine ffor Town Treasurer John Paine. ffor Select: men mr Isaac Pepper mr Israel Doane and mr Edward Knowles but mr Edward Knowles being present declared his non acceptance of sd trust so that the Town proceeded to make choice of another. and mr Jonathan young was chosen by ye Major vote [illegible] to be one of ye Selectmen — —

ffor Constables Joseph Cole Joseph Smith and Barnabas young

ffor men to have a negative vote in disposing of land Capt Samuel Freeman Daniel Cole mr Samuel Mayo mr Jonathan Higgins and mr John Snow

ffor Tithing men William Smith Roger [illegible] and Thomas Newcomb

ffor Hogreeves Elisha Eldridg Nathanael Snow and David young
ffor fence veiwers mr Jabez Snow Nathanael Doane and John Atwood —
ffor Survighers of ways William Walker Joseph Rogers and Elisha Eldrige
ffor pound keeper Jeremiah Smith — — — —
ffor Granjurymen Elisha Higgins Isaac Peirce Stephen Snow & William Twining

[illegible] at the above Sd Town meeting viz: march ye 13th 1726/7 the Town made choice to Serve on ye Jury of Tryalls at the next inferiour Court of common pleas and Court of General Sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable on the first tuesday in april John Mulford Isaac Baker Richard Sparrow & Joshua Hopkins Jur — — —

at the above Sd Town meeting it was proposed by the moderator at the motion of the Select men whether the Town were willing that Nathanael Higgins his Town rate for ye year 1726/7 should be abated with the Constable Josiah Harding and the vote passed in the affirmative

Att a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned to make choice of two lawfull men one to Serve on the Grandjury and one on the Jury of tryalls at the next Superior Court of Judicature Court of assize and General Goal delivery to be holden at plimouth for ye County of plimouth &c — on the last tuesday in april. and being met, on the [illegible] tuesday in april they made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for moderator at Sd meeting

and at the Sd meeting the Town made choise of mr Samuel Doane to Serve on the Grandjury at the above Sd Court and likewise made choice at ye same meeting of Elisha Hopkins — to Serve on the Jury of tryalls at ye Sd Court

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Att a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on wednesday the tenth day of may annodomini: 1727: and notice in and by Sd warning given that it was to nominate and choos one or two men to Serve as Representative at the great and General Court or assembly to be convened held and kept at ye Court house at Boston on wednesday the thirty first day of may &c, as also to consider and do what may be [illegible] to be done for the better regulating Sheep as to ye getting them up to be Shorn and at Sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr to Serve as their Representative as above Sd who being present declared his acceptance — — — — — —

Att a Town meeting in Eastham on the twentysixth day of [illegible] anno domini 1727, warned to make choice of [illegible] men to Serve on [illegible] Tryalls at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and Court of General Session of ye peace ~~at the~~ to be holden at Barnstable on the first tuesday in July at Sd meeting Samuel ffreeman and was chosen moderator and at the Said meeting the Town made choice of mr Joseph Merrick Senr [illegible] Pepper Nathanael Doane and William Paine to Serve on ye Jury of Tryalls as above Sd

Att a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on the twenty sixth day of July annodomini 1727 and notis in and by said warning given that it was to take care to raise money to defray and pay the two ministers Salary and to pay the County and Town charges [illegible] vis arising therein for the year following and at Sd meeting the Town
39 made choice of Capt Samuel Freeman for the Moderator for Sd meeting
And at the above Sd Town-meeting viz July ye 26th 1727: it was ordered and [illegible] that the Select men (who are the assessors) do [illegible] assess the Inhabitants of the Town of Eastham (and such others as are ordered by the General Court to pay to Sd Town) on their polls and estates the Sum of [illegible] pounds and commit the list or lists of Sd assessments to the Respective Constables and order them to collect and pay in each one his respective part

part of sd Assesment to them committed unto John Paine Town Treasurer or to his successor in sd office the one half thereof on or before the last day of December next coming and the other half part thereof on or before the last day of april which will be in the year of our Lord God 1728: and then make up account of the whole which said three hundred pounds is for the paying and discharging the two ministers salary viz mr osborn and mr Webb for the paying what shall be our just proportion of the County Charges for the paying a Schoolmaster the releife of the poor and other necessary charges yt shall arise within sd Town

Also at the same Town meeting: viz: July ye 25: 1727: it was [illegible] moderator [illegible] the Town [illegible] allow to the Revd mr osborn and [illegible] the last year that is ten pounds each to be paid by the last day of December next over and above the ninety pound each allowed them by Town agreement and ~~the vote being~~ the vote past in the [illegible]

At the same meeting ordered that the select men take effectual care at the Towns charge to make necessary provision for the support of James Linkhorne

At the above sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Isaac Pepper and Capt Samuel Freeman to account with John Paine as Town Treasurer relating to his receipts and disbursments since the ballance in august ye 25 1725 [illegible] the said Samuel Freeman and Isaac Pepper [illegible] the accounts of the sd John Paine as Town Treasurer and finds [illegible] was in august last and well conclude and that since the last ballance [illegible] ye 25th 1725 the sd John Paine as Town Treasurer hath received five hundred fifty and one pounds nine shillings and sixpence and hath since ye sd ballance paid out five hundred fifty and two pounds seven shillings and seven pence — 552 — 7 — 7
so that on a just ballance the sd John Paine since the last ballance hath paid out eighteen shillings and one peny more than he has received we are therefore of opinion that the sd John Paine be discharged of the sd sum of five hundred fifty and two pounds seven shillings and sevenpence this was proposed to ye Town by ye sd Committe and accepted by ye vote
as attest

Saml Freeman moderator
John Paine Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham warned to make choice of four men to serve on ye Jury of Tryalls at the next Inferior Court of common pleas and General Sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable on the third tuesday in october and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr for moderator for sd meeting and at sd meeting mr Joshua Higgins amos Knowles John [illegible] and John Knowles Junr to serve on the Jury of tryalls as above sd

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the sixth day of ~~october~~ november anno domini [illegible] warned to make choice of a person to serve as the Towns Representative at a great and General Court to be convened held and kept at the Court house in Boston on ye 22nd day of November current as also for the Town to determine the prices [illegible] several species at which [illegible] to pay the Province tax according to ye direction of ye [illegible] and at sd meeting the Town by a major vote made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr to serve as their Representative at the General Court as above sd at the aforeſd meeting viz November ye 6th 1727 The Town made choice of mr Samuel Knowles Junr for a moderator for ſd meeting and at the ſd meeting the Town voted that the Constables of Eastham ſhall receive the ſeveral ſpecies ordered by law to pay the province Tax at the prizes hereafter ſet down that is to ſay

winter-wheat at ſeven ſhillings pr buſhell —— 0 — 7 — 0
ſummer wheat at ſix ſhillings pr buſhell —— 0 — 6 — 0
Rye at five ſhillings pr buſhell —— 0 — 5 — 0
Barley at five ſhillings pr buſhell —— 0 — 5 — 0
Indian corn at four ſhillings pr buſhell —— 0 — 4 — 0

At a Town-meeting in Eastham on the tenth day of January annodom 1727/8 warned to make choice of Jurymen to ſerve on the Jury of tryalls at the next Inferior Court of common pleas and General Seſsions of the peace to be holden at Barnſtable on the third tueſday in January — at ſaid meeting the Town made choice of mr Iſaac Pepper for a moderator for ſd meeting, and at ſd meeting mr Ralph Smith Joſeph Snow Ebenezer Paine and Stephen Sparrow to ſerve on the Jury of tryalls as above ſaid — — —

At a Town-meeting in Eastham on munday the eleventh day of march annodomini 1727/8 orderly warned and met and notice in [illegible] by ye warrant being given that it was to chooſ Town officers for the following year as the law directs and alſo to chooſ two Grandjury-men to ſerve for the following year and three men to ſerve on the Jury of Tryalls at the next inferior Court of common pleas and General ſeſsions of ye peace to be holden at Barnſtable [illegible] alſo to chooſ five lawfull men two whereof to ſerve on the Grandjury at the next Superior Court of Judicature and General Goal delivery to be holden at Barnſtable and three to ſerve on the Jury of Tryalls at ſd Court. And at ſd meeting the Town made choice of Joſeph Doane Eſqr for a moderator for ſd meeting

and at ſd meeting the Town made choice of John Paine for Town clerk and Town Treaſurer — — —

at the ſd meeting (at the motion of ſeveral perſons it was propoſed to the meeting whether it was the minde of the Town to chooſ three ſelectmen and [illegible] and it paſsed in the afirmative and accordingly the Town by a major vote made choice of Edward Knowles Samuel Freeman Junr and Daniel Cole and at ye ſame meeting the Town made choice of men to have a negative vote in diſpoſing of [illegible] Freeman Meſsrs Daniel Cole Samuel Mayo Jonathan Higgins and [illegible]

for Constables Eliſha Hopkins, John Witherel
for Tithingmen Nathaniel Rogers Samuel Higgins ſenior & Thomas Freeman
for ſurveighors of ways William Walker Joſeph Rogers & Eliſha [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~
for fence viewers Jabez Snow Nathanel Doane and John Atwood
for pound keepers Jeremiah Smith and Joſeph Atkins
for grandjurymen for the County of Barnſtable Nathaniel Mayo & John Freeman
for men to ſerve on the Jury of Tryalls at the next inferior Court of common pleas and General ſeſsions of the peace to be holden at Barnſtable John Rich Nathaniel [illegible] and Daniel Smith — — — —
for Grandjury-men to ſerve at the next Superior Court of Judicature and General Goal delivery viz Samuel Freeman & Eliſha [illegible]
40 For men to ſerve on the Jury of Tryalls at ſd Court Lieut John Doane William Paine Lieut Jabez Snow and George Williamſon —

At the above ſd Town-meeting viz march ye 11th 1727/8 it was voted by the Town that John Sparrow might have liberty to ſet up the lane which goes [illegible] Lieut Coles from towards Nathaniel Doanes [illegible] he [illegible] always to keep convenient gates for perſons to paſs with Carts &c

~~[illegible] proportion of sd assesment~~

At a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 8th day of May annodomini
1728 warned for yt purpose: mr Samuel Knowles [illegible] was chosen by ye major
part of ye voters present to serve as representative for ye Town of Eastham at
ye General Court at Boston who being present accepted

At a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on the 20th day of may
annodomini 1728: and notice in and by sd warning given that it was to know the mind of
the Town whether sd Town would see cause to take their proportion of the sixty thou
sand pounds ordered to be issued out of the publick Treasury and to choose Trustees to
qualifie as the law directs to take out their proportion of sd sixty thousand pounds
and at sd meeting the Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esquire for a moderator
for sd meeting. at the above sd meeting it was proposed whether it was the mind
of the Town to choose agents to send for sd money and to be divided or let out in Towne
[illegible] and the vote being asked by ye moderator ~~[illegible]~~ it passed in the negative
at the same meeting it was proposed by the moderator whether the Town will
send for the above sd money and let it out as followeth viz: to Joseph Doane Esqr
fifty pounds to Capt John Knowles one hundred pounds to David Doane one hundred
pounds to Samuel Smith one hundred pounds Israel Cole one hundred pounds Na
thaneel Mayo forty pounds Benjamin Higgins fifty pounds and to Thomas
Mayo Junr fourteen pounds and ~~[illegible]~~ fifteen shillings provided they respectively give suffi
cient security to save the Town harmless from any dammages and pay in the in
terest annually to the Province Treasurer and the principle according as is
provided by law and pay all the charge of bringing home sd five hundred and
fifty four pounds and fifteen shillings and the charge of ye Trustees in let
ting out sd money and taking security therfor as above and the vote being asked by ye moderator it passed in ye affirmative accordingly at the same meet
ing The Town made choice of Nathanel Freeman Esqr mr Edward Knowles and ~~[illegible]~~
John Paine for trustees in the above affair to take out the Towns proportion of the
sixty thousand pound and to lett it out according as the law provides and the
Towns order ~~who~~ were then sworn as the law directs

at the above sd meeting it was proposed to the Town by ye moderator whether it was
their mind that Joshua Browns rates in ye Joseph Rogers his lists when he was constable should
be abated with ye Constable and it passed in the affirmative

At a Town Meeting in Eastham on ye 24th day of June annodomini 1728
warned to chose three men to serve on the Jury of Tryalls at the next Infe
rior Court to be holden at Barnstable on ye first tuesday in July mr Isaac
Pepper being chosen moderator The Town at sd meeting made choice of Jam
es Brown William Smith and Thomas Higgins to serve on the petit Jury
and Samuel Harding to serve on the Granjury for ye year

At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on munday
the sixteenth day of September ~~ye~~ annodomini: 1728 and notice in and
by sd warning givin that it was to do what may be proper to be done
in order for the raising money for the ministers salary and to defray
the other nessessary charges arising in sd Town. And at sd meeting the
Town made choice of Joseph Doan Esqr for the moderator for sd
meeting

and at the abovesaid Town-meeting it was ordered and voted that
the Select men (who are the assessors) do forthwith assess the Rateable
inhabitants of the Town of Eastham (and such others as are ordered
by the General Court to pay toward the support of the ministry)
on their polls and Estates the sum of three hundred and fifty pounds
and commit the lists thereof to the respective constables of Eastham and order
them to collect and pay in each one his respective part as contained in
their lists to them committed unto the Town Treasurer for the time being
the one half on or before the last day of November next and the other
half on or before the last day of april which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred and twenty nine which sd money is for the uses following viz
two hundred and forty pounds for the defraying the [illegible] ministers salary that
is to say to mr Osborn one hundred and twenty pounds and to mr Webb one
hundred and twenty pounds [illegible] for ye year current the remainder is for the
paying the charges [illegible] [illegible] in the County rate that shall be

4|) set on the Town by the Justices and for the defraying nessessary Town charges this was voted by a great majority at sd meeting

and at the afore sd meeting viz September ye 10th 1728 the made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr and mr Israel Cole to account with John Paine as Town Treasurer

At a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on munday the thirtieth day of September annodomini 1728 and notice in and by sd warning given that it was to make choice of four good and lawfull men to serve on the petit Jury of Tryalls at the next inferior Court of Common pleas and general sessions of ye peace to be held at Barnstable on the third tuesday in october and at ye sd meeting the Town made choice of Capt Samuel ffreeman for moderator for sd meeting and at ye sd meeting the Town made choice of mr Daniel Cole David Doane Jonathan Smith and Thomas Snow To serve on the Jury of Tryalls as above sd

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the twentieth day of January anno domini 1728/9 orderly warned and met and notice in and by said warning given that it was to chose four good and lawfull men to serve on the pettit Jury for Tryalls at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and general sessions of the Peace to be holden at Barnstable on ye third tuesday in January. At sd meeting Joseph Doane Esqr was chosen moderator at the sd meeting the Town then met made choice of mr [illegible] Higgins Isaac Pepper Jonathan Cole and Israel Mayo to serve on ye Jury of Tryalls as above sd

At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on munday the tenth day of march annodomini 1728/9 and notice in and by sd warning given that it was to chose Town officers for ye year ensuing as also to chose three good and lawfull men to serve on the petit Jury for tryalls at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and Court of General sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable on ye [illegible] tuesday in march and to chose two men to serve on ye Grand Jury for ye following year also to chose an agent or agents to answer the sd towns presentment [illegible] Court for not choosing hogreeves according to law. And at sd meeting [illegible] was chosen moderator

At the above sd meeting the Town made choice for Town Clerk John Paine
For Town Treasurer John Paine
For Selectmen — first the Town voted to chose but three [illegible]
Israel Cole and [illegible] of [illegible] and
For Constables Theophilus Mayo Samuel Higgins and Elizer Atwood
For men to have a negative vote in disposing of land Capt Samuel ffreeman and [illegible]
Daniel Cole Samuel Mayo Jonathan Higgins and Jabez Snow
For Tythingmen Jonathan Smith and Christian Remick
For [illegible] Richard Higgins and Joseph Mayo
For Surveighors of Highways Joseph Rogers Elisha Eldridge Junr and [illegible] Walker Junr
For fence viewers Jabez Snow Nathaniel Doane and John Atwood
For pound Keeper Jeremiah Smith Junr
For men to serve on the pettit Jury of tryalls Ralph Smith ~~[illegible]~~ Thomas Atwood and Joshua Treat
For Grand-jury-men John Atwood and Jonathan Cole

4|At a Town meeting in Eastham on the tenth day of march annodomini 1728 The Town made choice of Joseph Doane Esqr to appear as agent for said Town to answer the sd towns presentment the last Court at Barnstable for not choosing Hogreeves according to law

At the sd Town meeting viz march ye 10th 1728/9 it was proposed by the moderator whether the Town would alow James Linkhorne six pounds to relieve [illegible] for his present nessessity and the vote being called by the moderator it passed in the affirmative

voted att ye abovesd meeting that there be a way laid out for [illegible] from his land to ye roadway.

[illegible]

At a Town Meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on the [illegible]
of April anno Domini 1729 and notice in and by ſd warning given that it was to
Chooſe ſix good and lawfull men two to ſerve on the granjury and four on the
petit Jury of Tryalls at the next Superior Court of Judicature Court of aſsizes
and General Goal delivery to be holden at Barnſtable on ye fourth tuesday in
April and at ſd meeting Joſeph Doane Eſqr was choſen moderator and at
the ſd meeting the Town made choice of David Doane and Thomas Mayo Junr
to ſerve on the Granjury at ye Court above ſd and to ſerve on the petit Jury
for Tryalls as above ſd the Town made choice of Capt John Knowles John
Freeman Joshua Higgins and Iſrael Doane

At a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned, and met on thurſday the fif
teenth day of May anno Domini 1729, and notice in and by ſd warning given that it
was to elect and depute one or more perſons being free holders &c to ſerve for and
repreſent them in a great and General Court or aſsembly apointed to be holden and
kept for his Majeſties ſervice at ye Court-houſe in Boston on wedneſday the twenty
eighth day of may inſtant &c and alſo to make choice of a perſon to ſerve as conſtable
for ye precinct of Billingsgate and alſo to do what may be proper to prevent rams go
ing going at large. at ſd meeting the Town made choice of Joſeph Doane Eſqr for a
moderator for ſd meeting and at ſaid meeting the Town made choice of mr Ebenezer [illegible]
[illegible] to ſerve as conſtable for ye Town in the ſtead of Eliezer atwood deceaced

Whereas there is a Town act on record to prevent rams going at large on the
commons at unſeaſonable times as may be ſeen in and by ſd Town act or order but
for want of due proſecution it hath (Eſpecially of late years) proved to be of little
effect there being no incouragment for him or them that ſhould take up rams it is there
fore ordered and voted at the above ſaid Town-meeting Viz: may ye fifteenth 1729
That if any perſon or perſons belonging to ye Town of Eastham ſhall take up any
[illegible] ram or rams and proceed with him or them according to ye true meaning of
ſd Town act and make it evident to ye Town Treaſurer for ye time being. ſhall
[illegible] as a reward one ſhilling for every ram which he or they ſhall ſo take up
to be paid by ye Town Treaſurer out of ye Town Treaſury —
at [illegible] meeting in Eastham may ye 15th 1729 the Town made choice of mr [illegible]
[illegible] to ſerve as their Repreſentative as above ſd who being preſent re
[illegible] Thereupon the Town proceeded to a new choice and choſe [illegible]
[illegible] service [illegible] office who being preſent ~~[illegible]~~ alſo refuſed. then the Town [illegible]
[illegible] to a third choice and choſe mr Iſrael Cole to ſerve at ye General Court as
their repreſentative as above ſd who being preſent accepted

At a Town-meeting in Eastham on ye eleventh day of June 1729
warned for the purpoſe (mr Iſaac Pepper being choſen moderator) the
Town then aſsembled made choice of mr Iſaac Pepper mr Joſeph Merrick
Samuel Brown and Iſaac Higgins to ſerve on the petit Jury for tryals
at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and General Seſsions of ye
peace to be held at Barnſtable on ye firſt tuesday in June

At a Town-meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on [illegible] the
fourth day of August anno domini 1729 and notice in and by ſd warning given
that it was to raiſe money for the defraying the neceſsary charges ariſing
within ſd Town as alſo to hear what mr Samuel Knowles [illegible]
[illegible] a record that he findes in the books of records bearing date [illegible]
[illegible] 1708 [illegible] mr John Paine made for perſons to go over [illegible] his [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible] at ſd meeting the Town made choice of [illegible]
[illegible] for moderator for ſd meeting and the above [illegible]
[illegible] and voted that the Selectmen [illegible] the aſseſsors [illegible]
[illegible] with aſseſs the Rateable Inhabitants [illegible]
[illegible] as are ordered by the General Court to pay towards the [illegible]
of the Miniſtry in Eastham, ~~[illegible]~~ on their polls and eſtates [illegible]
[illegible] three hundred and fifty pounds and commit the liſt thereof
[illegible] Conſtables [illegible] Eastham and order them to collect
and pay in the [illegible] therein reſpectively contained and [illegible]

-of them Committed unto the Town Treasurer for the time being, the one half on or before the last day of November next Coming and the other half part on or before the the last day of April which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirty which sd money is for the uses hereafter named Viz: To pay the ministers salarys two hundred and fourty pound that is to say to Mr Samuel Osborn one hundred and twenty pounds and to Mr Benjamin Webb one hundred and twenty pounds both for the year Current the remainder to pay the Charges of a School and to pay Such County rates as may or shall be Set on sd Town by his Majesties Justices of the general Sessions of ye Peace at Barnstable and for the paying other necessary Charges arising within sd Town of Eastham This above written was voted at ye above sd Town meetin Nimini contra dicente —

at a Town meeting in Eastham august ye 4th 1729 at the request of Mr Samuel Knowles Voted that the word: by: in the thirteenth line of a record relating to away over the head of ye recorded page 205 should be rased out

At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned and met on the 15th day of October annodomini 1729 and notice in and by sd warning given that it was to chose four good and lawfull men to serve on the petit Jury for tryals at the next Inferior Court of common pleas and General Sessions of ye peace to be holden at Barnstable and at sd meeting the Town then met made choice of Mr John Sparrow for moderator for sd meeting. and at sd meeting the Town made choice Richard Higgins John Higgins Benjamin ~~Higgins~~ Andrew and Elisha Higgins to serve on the Jury of tryals as above said

Note on ye 12th day of January 1729/30 the Town made choice of Joshua Paine Richard Mayo Elisha Higgins Junr and Elisha Linell to serve on the petit Jury at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas and General Sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable

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At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned & met for chusing Town officers grand [illegible] on the 9th day of march 1729/30 voted & chosen Joseph Doane Esqr to be Town clark for the ensuing year till another be chosen [illegible]

then Nathaniel Freeman Esqr chosen moderator for sd meeting

then made choyce of Mr Israel Cole Mr James Rogers & Mr Joseph Rogers for select men [illegible]

[illegible] then made choyce of [illegible] Knowles Town Treasurer

then made choyce Jonathan Smith for one of the constables for sd Town then made choyce of Samuel [illegible]

for one of the Constables of sd Town then made choyce of Daniel Mayo for one of the Constables [illegible]

then also made choyce of Nathaniel Mayo & Stephen Snow for Tything men

then made choyce of Mr Thomas Mayo Isaac Higgins & Elisha Eldredge Junr for surveyors of [illegible]

then made choyce of Joseph Atwood Israel Mayo & Nathaniel Higgins for fence viewers

then made choyce of Jeremiah Smith Junr pound keeper

then made choyce of Samuel Doane & Elisha Young for hogreeves

then made choyce of Capt Samuel Freeman Mr John Sparrow Daniel Mayo Joseph Myrick [illegible] Edward Knowles & [illegible] Higgins for [illegible] men

then made choyce of Joshua Higgins & Joshua Paine to serve for the grand Jury at the [illegible] general Sessions of the Peace for the ensuing year

then made choyce of Joseph Mayo Samuel Horton John Walker & Thomas Linnell [illegible] on tryals as petit jurors

then voted that Mr John Paines Petision be granted & that he Receive the ten shilling [illegible] he Received of some one of the Constables that proved Counterfit he the petitioner to Receive [illegible]

47 out of the Towns Treasury.

then voted that Mr Edward Knowles & Mr Israel Cole should Reckon with Mr John Paine late Town Treasurer & settle accts with him Relating to the Town Treasury & make Report to the Town thereof

Entred pr Joseph Doane Town Clark

At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned & assembled on the 30th day of march 1730 & notis given in sd warning it was to chuse six good & lawfull men two where of to serve on the grand jury & four on the Jury of tryals at the next superiour Court of Judicature Court of Assize & General Goale delivery at Barnstable the [illegible] of april next for which sd Town meeting James Rogers [illegible] was chosen moderator for sd meeting & John Higgins Junr Joshua Higgins Junr was chosen to serve on the grand Jury at sd court and Edward Knowles Samuel Freeman Junr & Nathaniel Freeman Junr was chosen to serve on the Jury of tryals at sd court

Entred pr Joseph Doane Town Clark.

At a Town Meeting In Eastham the 13th: day of May 1730 Orderly warned & met:
notis given in the warning. then & there to Elect & Deputt one or more persons to serve &
Represent the Town in a Great & Generall Court or assembley appointed to be Convened held
and kept for his Majts service at Harvard Colleg in Cambrig upon wensday the twenty seventh
day of May Instant and also to do what may be proper in agreeing with sd Representative
for his alowance: at which meeting the Town made choyce of Mr. Joshua Higgins
to serve as Representative as above sd: who did accordingly except & the Town also then
voted to alow sd Representative & pay unto him as the last province act made provision for
Representatives alowance unless the General Court shall make another act Relating to
the premises that he sd Mr Joshua higgins shall see cause to Comply with.

Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 30th: day of June 1730 Orderly warned & met to:
chuse four good & Lawfull men of sd Town to serve on the Petit Jury of tryals at the
next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas & Generall session of the Peace to be holden in & for the
County of Barnstable on the first Tuesday of July next Mr Israel Cole - chosen mo=
derator for sd meeting: and then at sd meeting was chosen for sd Jurie men Mr William
Doane Joseph Atwood David Doane & Ralph Smith

entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town Meeting in Eastham Orderly warned & met the 14th: day of September Anno: 1730
to Consider & do what might be proper for the raising of money to pay the ministers sallarys
Representative school master & defraying the necessary charges arising within the sd Town
then Mr Edward Knowles being first chosen Moderator for sd Meeting and then the Inhabitants assembled
at sd meeting proceeded determined & voated that the ~~that the~~ selectmen who are the assessors of said
Town of Eastham do forthwith assess the Rateable Inhabitants of sd Town & such others as the General
Court hath ordered to pay towards the support of the ministry In sd Eastham as the Law directs so as to
make the sum of three hundred & eighty ~~pounds~~ five pounds & Commit the lists thereof unto the Respec=
tive constables of sd Eastham & order them to colect & pay in the several sums therein to them Respectively
committed unto the Town Treasurer for the time being the one half part thereof on or before the last day
of November next Coming & the other half part thereof on or before the last day of April next:
which will be in the year 1731 which sd money is for the uses hereafter exprest viz, one hundred &
twenty pounds to pay Mr Samuel Osborns sallary for the year Currant one hundred & twenty pounds
to pay Mr Benjamin Webbs sallary for the year Currant & the Remainder to pay the charge of schol-
ing Representatives wages & such County Rate as may or shall be set on sd Town by the Justices of
the County of Barnstable in their sessions & also other proper Town charge. the above written was
upon the voate being called for by the Moderator: voated Nemine contra Dicente

attest Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the fifth day of October Anno: 1730 warned to Make choyce
of one good & Lawfull man to serve on the Grand Jurie the Remaining part of the year Currant
and also to chuse four good & Lawfull men to serve on the Jury of tryals at the next Court of
Common pleas to be holden at Barnstable the third Tuesday of this Instant &c. the Inhabitants &
freeholders as the law directs then assembled first chose Mr David Doane - Moderator for sd meet=
ing & then proceeded & chose for sd Grand Jury man Mr Roger Thomas: and also then made choyce of
Thomas higgins William Walker jun Josiah harding & Benjamin higgins to serve in the Jury of
tryals at sd court.

attest Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 5th: day of January 1730/31 warned to make
choyce of four good & Lawfull men to serve on the Jurie of tryalls at the next
Court of Common pleas to be holden at Barnstable on the third Tuesday of this
Instant the Inhabitants being assembled as the Law directs first made choyce of
Samuel Knowles for - - Moderator for sd meeting & then made choyce of of John Knowles
Joseph higgins John Freeman & James higgins to serve as Juries above sd
then made choyce of John Freeman agent to answer sd Towns presentment
then also voted that the selectmen take som prudent Care for the relief of [illegible]
wife who is ready to lay in & no house suitable to entertain in.

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At a Town meeting in Eastham the 27th day of January 1730/31
in order to chuse a good & lawfull man to Represent sd Town at the Great & Generall Court
to be held at the Court house in Boston the tenth day of february next & also to do what
might be proper in agreeing with sd Representative about his wages
and the Town then made choyce of Capt. John Knowls Representative as above sd & he accordingly
then accepted. The Town then also manifested their mind by voate for settling a salery on the
Governer pursuant to the Kings Instructions also then voated the Return of Deacon Edward
Knowls & Mr Israel Coles Returns of accts made up with Mr John Doane late Town
Tresurer the 9th day of March 1729/30 entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

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At a Town meeting in Eastham the tenth day of March 1730/31 held at the Midle meeting house
in Eastham then & there to make choyce of select men Constables & other Town officers as the Law directs
and also to do what might be done in alowing & approving a high way laid out by the select men of sd Town
for the benefit of John Smith & the neighbours there abouts from Nathaniel Smiths house to the common Road
and also another high way laid out for the use of the neighbours from the highway by Elisha Cobbs to the
eastward of Benjamin Cooks land & so along by Israel higgins his land to the highway & also to do what
might be proper to be done Concerning the ministerial land at the notherly end of sd Town of Eastham
& to run the range between sd land & the land of John Atwood all which was filed in the warrant for
calling sd meeting. at which meeting Deacon Edward Knowles was firstly chosen moderator the
moderator then proposed at sd meeting whether they wold chuse a Town Clerk by nomination or by
proxces & many signifying it was most Reguler & had been the practis of sd Town to chuse their
clerk by proxces the moderator then called for the voate for all that ware for chusing Town clerk
by proxces wod manifest it by the usuall signe & the voate passed in the affirmitive then the men
after called to bring in their voates for choyce of a Town clerk & Joseph Doane Esqr by voate was
then chosen Clerk for the Town: then Nextly Deacon Edward Knowls was chosen Town Tresurer
Nextly Samuel Doane Samuel Knowles junr & Timothy Cole was chosen select men Nextly
John Freeman Samuel Freeman & Samuel Atwood ware chosen Constables Nextly Stephen
Snow & James Smith ware chosen Tythingmen Nextly Samuel higgins junr John Paine
junr Elisha higgins Ebenezer higgins Joseph Atkins & Jeremiah Mayo ware chosen
surveyers of ways Nextly Nathaniel Mayo Daniel Smith & John Atwood ware chosen fence
viewers Nextly Elisha Dyer John Walker & David Young ware chosen hog Reeves Nextly
John Snow Capt Freeman Deacon higgins Deacon Mayrick & Daniel Cole ware chosen [illegible]
men Nextly Roger Thomas & Jeremiah Mayo ware chosen pound keepers Nextly Samuel Cole
James Brown & Elisha Dyer junr ware chosen [illegible] of fish drivers. ~~[illegible]~~
Entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk
then voated the Town Tresurer shold be alowed 6d pr pound
for all the money he Recd & payd [illegible] excepted

At the aforesd Town meeting viz the 10th day of March 1730/31
then the Town made choyce of Daniel Smith & [illegible] Young for Grand Juriemen [illegible]
[illegible] then also made choyce of [illegible] higgins junr [illegible]
harding for petit Juriemen for the next courts.
Entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At the aforesd meeting voated that Isaac Pepper & Samuel Freeman junr [illegible]
the Town Tresurer Relating to his accts & make Report at the next Town meeting
Then it was voated that the select men be a Committee to Run the Range [illegible]
land at Billingsgate & other land & settle the bounds according to Record & make Return at the next
Town meeting
Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerke

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At the afore sd Town meeting viz the 10th day of March 1730/31 then the select men of sd Town
offered to sd Town for there approbation a way they had laid out in the words following: Eastham
February the 23rd 1730/1 wee the subscribers select men of Eastham afore sd upon application made
to us by severall of the Neighbours have accordingly this twenty third day of February laid out a high
way beginning at the corner of John Smiths fence near Nathaniel Smiths dwelling house [illegible]
[illegible] feet & the way now runs to Roger Thomas's barn & then thirty feet [illegible]
runs by sd Nathaniel Smiths barn to the common Road to be an open way for [illegible]
our neighbourhood provided John Smith at whose Request sd way [illegible]
is laid out [illegible] keep the [illegible]
[illegible] in such [illegible] Repair as may be sufficient for his own use [illegible]
to pass & Repass [illegible] then voated by the Town to be a way
as above laid out

[illegible]
[illegible] Keepers
Joseph Doane

Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerke

* Lieut Samuel Freeman *

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 31st day of March 1731 orderly warned to Make choyce of four Petit Jurie men to sarve on the Jurie of tryalls & at the next Inferiour Court & Court of assize to be holden at Barnstable for the Countys of Barnstable & Duks County on the last Tuesday save one in April next [illegible] * was Chosen Moderator for sd meeting: and then was chosen for sd Petit juriemen Israel Cole John Smith Samuel Brown & Joseph Mayo and also was chosen for said Grand jurours Deacon Edward Knowls & David Doane.

entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

May 12th 1731

At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned to make choyce of a Representative to Represent them at a great & General Court to be held & kept for his majestys sarvis at the Court house in Boston on wensday the 26 instant then made choyce of Capt John Knowls to Represent them at the same great & General Court then voated that Capt Knowls should be alowed & paid out of the Town Tresury seven shillings pr day for his travel to Boston & atending there as Representative at the sd Court & Courts during this year & for every days travelling home unles sd Generall Court shall make an act for Representatives wages in this or former time then for sd Capt Knowls to be paid & alowed as sd act shall direct & not other ways.

entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

At the above sd Town meeting viz, May 12th 1731 it was then voated that the committees Return of acct & Reckning with the Town Tresurer was excepted which was in the words following: We the subscribers being appointed by the Town of Eastham to audit acompts with Mr Edward Knowls Town Tresurer have acordingly the twenty second day of March 1731 audit acompts with him the sd Knowls & by our casting find them Right and there Remains due to the sd Town from the last ballance in the Book bearing Date March the ninth 1730 to this day in the hand of sd Tresurer the sum of seventy four pounds fourteen shillings & seven pence: & stil Remains due from the Constables of the Town of Eastham one hundred thirty one pound eleven shillings & ten pence!

074-14=07
131-11-10
206:06:05

131=11-10
074-14-7
206=06=05

entred pr Joseph Doane
Town clerk

and signed by Isaac Pepper
Samuel Freeman jr

At a Town meeting July 5th 1731 then made choyce for Petit Jurymen Deacon Joseph Myrick James Rogers Ralph Smith Jabez Snow jun

entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 12th day of August 1731 warned to Raise money to pay sd Towns proportion of the County Rate for the year Current & for paying [illegible] Ministers & other [illegible] Town charge the Inhabitants being [illegible] [illegible] Mr Israel Cole for Moderator for sd Meeting & then [illegible] to Raise the sum of one hundred & twenty pounds fifty [illegible] [illegible] of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Town for the use & ends above [illegible] [illegible] of sd Town who are by Law assessors to do so therwith make a Rate upon the [illegible] estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Town according to Law & deliver the list or lists [illegible] unto the Constable & Constables of sd Town with a warrant [illegible] to Colect & pay in the same in Currant publick bills of Credit into the [illegible] or in that office the one half [illegible] October next & the other half on or before the [illegible] day of [illegible] for the use & ends above sd

entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

3d) At a Town meeting in Eastham the [illegible]th day of [illegible] 1731 to chuse petit jurie men for the next [illegible] John Cole moderator then made choyce of Samuel higgins junr Joseph Smith junr James Smith & Jonathan [illegible] petit jurie men for the next court
entred pr Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 27th day of December 1731 to make choyce of petit jurie men [illegible] then made choyce of William Paine Richard Mayo Elisha higgins & [illegible] petit jurie men for the next Court
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town Clarke

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the sixteenth day of March 1731/2 warned to make choyce of all Town officers for the year ensuing as also to consider of & confirm severall ways that the selectmen had laid out in sd Town for the use of sd Town as also to make choyce of Grand jurie men for the year ensuing & Petit jurie men for the next Court as also to make choyce of Grand jurie men & Petit jurie men for the next superiour Court Court of assize & generall Goal delivery for which sd meeting Deacon Edward Knowls was chosen moderator and then Joseph Doane Esqr was chosen Town clark for the year ensuing and then also Deacon Edward Knowls was chosen Town Tresurer & then Daniel Cole Jonathan young and Timothy Cole ware chosen select men then also Samuel freeman junr Israel Cole and William Paine ware chosen Assesors then also Nathaniel Doane Daniel Smith & Jonah harding ware chosen Constables then also William Cole Jonathan Cole & William Smith ware chosen Tythingmen then also John Paine Samuel higgins junr Elisha higgins [illegible] higgins & Samuel Brown ware chosen Surveyers of high ways then also Israel Doane Samuel Doane and [illegible] Doane ware chosen fence viewers then also Robert young Samuel horton & William Lewis ware chosen hog Reevs then also Capt Samuel freeman Samuel Mayo Joseph Myrick Jabez Snow & Elisha Eldred ware chosen Negative men then also Roger [illegible] & Jeremiah Mayo ware chosen Pound Keepers then also James higgins & James Brown ware chosen Grand jurie men for the year then also then also David Doane Joshua Knowls Benjamin Cook & Nathaniel higgins ware chosen Petit jurie men for the next inferiour Court then also Nathaniel Mayo & Benjamin Cook ware chosen Grand jurie men for the superiour Court then also James Rogers Theophilus Mayo Israel ~~[illegible]~~ Doane & Stephen Sparrow ware chosen Petit jurie men for the superiour Court then also voted that the Town Tresurer shall have sixpence on the pound for Receiving in & paying out the Towns money all except the minesters sallery
Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 16th day of May 1732 warned to chuse a Representative then chose Capt John Knowls Representative for the year ensuing Then also chose Mr Isaac Pepper & Samuel freeman junr to Reckon with the Town Tresurer Concerning his accts of the Towns money & to make Report at the next Town Meeting
Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clark

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At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 19th day of June 1732 warned to chuse Petit jurie for the next court of Comon Pleas & Court of Genll sessions of the Peace Isaac Pepper chosen moderator then made choyce of Samuel Brown Isaac higgins Joshua higgins junr Richard Sparrow for Petit jurie men for sd Courts the first tuesday of July next

At a Town meeting in Eastham the tenth day of July 1732
warned to Consider & [illegible] what might be proper in what the select men shod lay before
the Town Relating to Mr Doanes Request for what he had done for James harding Deceas-
which was Considered but nothing voted. as also to consider the needy circumstances of Mehitable Smith
which was then determined & voted that Israel Mayo be desired to take the care of Mehitable
Smith under her indigent circumstances & afford her all necessaries as to victuals & drink
that her weak & low condition or circumstances Requirs for the term of one year next =
coming & that he also afford her necessary attendance as her circumstances shall Require
and that he be paid for all the same out of the Town Tresury also that he the sd Israel
Mayo Receive forty shillings out of the Town Tresury to procure such things of the a
pothycaries as may be proper to mitigate her bodily infirmities:
entrd pr Joseph Doane Town Clerk

also at the abovesd meet viz July 10th 1732 notis in the warning of sd meeting to
Consider the circumstances of Joshua Cook the same being considered it was concluded &
voted that the select men shod draw fifteen pounds out of the Town Tresury to discharge
Docter John Dunkins demand for Doctring of Joshua Cook under his late bodily ailements
and to discharge sd Demand therewith if possibley they cod & if they sd select men with
the sd fifteen pounds cod not discharge sd Demand then to Return the same in to the =
Tresury again. entrd pr Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 3rd day of August 1732 held by ajournment from
the [illegible] day of August aforesd warned to Consider & do what might be proper to
be done for raising of money to defray the proper charges of sd Town: then made
choyce of Nathaniel Freeman Esqr Moderator for sd meeting & then Concluded & voted that
the sum of two hundred & forty pounds be forthwith Raised by a Rate made by the
sd Towns assessors on the polls & estates of the Rateable inhabitants of sd Town as the law
directs for paying sd Towns proportion of the County Rate for the year Current also for
paying the school Master & other proper Town charges that sd Town by Law is Required
[illegible] to answer & perform & that sd assessors having made sd Rate to deliver the list
thereof to the Constables of sd Town to Colect & pay in the same in [illegible] publick Bills of Credit
into the Tresurer of sd Town or his successor in that office the one half thereof on or before
the first day of November next & the other half on or before the first day of [illegible] next 1733
voted to be entred & entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

also at the above sd Town meeting viz August 3: 1732 that the sum of four pounds together with
the forty shillings heretofore allowed for Mehitable Smith to buy docter things be drawn
out of the Town Tresury by the select men of sd Town for the use of Doctring Mehitable
Smith to Relieve her bodily infirmities voted & entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

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At a Town meeting in Eastham the Eleventh day of September 1732 warned to
make choyce of a suitable person to serve in office of Constable [illegible]
the [illegible] of Lisall harding who refuses to serve in that [illegible] notwith
standing he was chosen thereunto in the month of march last past [illegible]
sd Town to do what may be proper for obtaining the fine of him [illegible]
[illegible] at sd meeting Benjamin hamlen was chosen to serve in the office
of a Constable in sd Town the ensuing part of the year then also voted that
the select men or such one as they shall appoint shall lay the matter of [illegible]
[illegible] Refusall to serve in sd office of Constable before the next Court of general
sessions of the Peace in order for obtaining the fine of him as the law directs
then also voted that the selectmen give order to the Town Tresurer to
[illegible] Smith for [illegible] twenty shillings a week out of the Town
Tresury for her Relief untill the next Town meeting
then sd meeting was ajourned to [illegible] entrd pr Joseph Doane
monday next come [illegible] afternoon Town Clerk

At a Townmeeting in Eastham the third day of October 1732 warned to chuse Petit Jurymen for
s'd [illegible] Court William Paine Chosen Moderator for s'd meeting then made choyce of Timothy=
Cole John Knowls jun'r Jeremiah Smith jun'r & Theophilus Paine for Jurymen for October
Court
entred p'r Joseph Doane Town clark.

At a Townmeeting in Eastham the first day of January 1732/3
warned to chuse Jurieman for the next Court ~~the third~~ Tuesday of January Instant
Mr Samuel Mayo Chosen moderator for s'd meeting then made choyce of
Edward Knowls Samuel Doane Thomas higgins & John Walker for Jurie men for
s'd Court entred p'r me Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 12th day of march 1732/3
warned to Make choyce of Town officers for the year ensuing as also to do what
might be proper for dividing or orderly improving of the common medow or sedge ground
in s'd Eastham as also to do what may be proper for altering or discontinuing of a
way laid out by the selectmen and Recorded at March Townmeeting last past this one
northward from Samuel Hardings house to Blackfish creek opposite to Samuel Browns
mill as also to Reconsider & further to consider of Mr Browns demands for [illegible] the
~~[illegible]~~ expended on James Harding in the time of his last sickness as also to do what might
be proper as to severall ways laid out by the selectmen & also to chuse two men for
grand Juriemen for the year ensuing & four Petit Juriemen for the next court
at which meeting then was chosen Jeremiah Smith Jun'r & Josiah harding
for Grand Juriemen & then also made choyce of Thomas Deane Joshua Atkins
Israel Cole & David young for Petit Juriemen
Edward Knowls being first chosen Moderator for s'd meeting then s'd meeting
was ajourned by voate to monday next eleven of the clock being the 19th ~~Instant~~
also before s'd meeting was ajourned Mr William Paine was chosen agent
to appear in s'd Towns behalf at the next court of generall sessions of the peace [illegible] to answer s'd Towns Presentment made made at last
Court of Generall sessions of the Peace in the County of Barnstable
entred p'r Joseph Doane Town clark

On the 19th day of march 1732/3
the Town being assembled to make choyce of Town officers as above exprest
pursuant to s'd ajournment then made choyce of Joseph Doane for Town clark
then also made choyce of Edward Knowls for Town Tresurer then made choyce
of Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel Doane & James Rogers for selectmen
then made choyce of Israel Cole William paine Samuel Doane jun'r for Asses=
sors then made choyce of Nathanael Mayo Elisha higgins & Jeremiah
Mayo for constables for the year ensuing: then made choyce of Nathan young
William walker & Israel young for Tythingmen then made choyce
45 of James Rogers Jonathan higgins jun'r Jabiz Snow Samuel Freeman jun'r
Elisha Eldredge jun'r & Joseph Atkins for surveyers of ways then made choyce
of Jonathan Smith James Smith & John Atwood for fence viewers then
made choyce of William Twining Jabiz walker & William Covell for hog
Rieves then made choyce of Capt freeman Samuel Mayo Daniel Cole
Deacon higgins & John Sparrow for Negative Men then made choyce of
Rogers Thomas for pound keeper all for the ensuing year and then the
s'd meeting was ajourned to monday the 26 at one a clock to s'd meeting house
Nathaniel Mayo being present entred p'r Joseph Doane Town clark
accepted to serve in the office of constable then also gave a note in writing to Nathaniel
Doane constable of the names of all Town officers chosen in order for him to notifie them
to take their oathes as the Law directed p'r me Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town meeting in Eastham held the 26 of March 1733 by ajournment from
Monday the 14th of March 1732/3 then Samuel Horton was chosen Constable
and excepted then Joseph Atkins was chosen pond keeper for the north precinct
Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clark

March 20th 1733

~~then~~ we James Rogers & Samuel Doane select men of the Town of
Eastham together with ~~with~~ the assistance of Joseph Doane one of the
Justices of the Peace for the County of Barnstable ~~&~~ living in sd Town
of Eastham Pursuant to an act made in the 11th year of the Reign
of King George Deceast entitled an act for supplyment of an act
entitled an act for highways made in the fifth year of the Reign
of King William & Queen Mary do hereby appoint unto the survayers
of sd Town their Respective Divisions or Districts ~~for~~ mending or Repairing
of highways ~~of highways~~ from time to time in sd Town lying within their Respective
Divisions which sd survayers are hereby to observe & conform unto —
that is to say the two survayers Residing ~~dwelling~~ in the southerly part
of sd Town their part or Division for Mending or Repairing of sd ways in sd
Town is from the southerly part of sd Town from Harwich line notherly
taking in the whole bredth of sd Town so far notherly till it Coms to the
slow called John Smiths guter at the hed of the ceder swamp to the notherly side thereof
and also that the two survayer that live in the midle part of said
Town ~~their part &~~ Division for mending & repairing of ways is from sd slow called
John Smiths guter Northward taking in the whole bredth of sd Town so far as
to the fresh brook so called that goes across the highway southward from Blackfish creek
and the two survayers that live in the notherly part of sd Town
their part of Division to mend & Repair sd ways is from sd fresh brook
taking all the whole bredth of sd Town northward to Truro bounds from
sea to sea and this we determin under our hands the day & year
above sd for the ensuing year & forward till a further or other settlement be determined

James Rogers }
Samuel Doane } Select men

Entred on Record march the
26: 1733
pr me Joseph Doane
Town Clark

Joseph Doane Justice Peace

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 4th Day of April 1733
warned to chuse two Grand Jurie men & 4 Petit Jurie men for the next superiour
Court of Judicature Court of Assize & General Goale Delivery.
then Deacon Edward Knowles was chosen Moderator
then Edward Knowles & Samuel Doane were chosen to serve on the grand Jurie
and then David Doane Timothy Cole John Witherel & Isaac Baker were
chosen Petit Jurie men to serve at sd Court

Entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 23 day of May 1733 warnd to make choyce of a Man to Represent sd Town at the Great & General Court for the Insuing year the Town then made choyce of Mr William Paine for sd Representative to serve the Insuing year: who accordingly accepted.

It being also Inserted in the warrant for calling sd meeting also to do what may be proper to alow or disalow of sheep ~~of sheep~~ going at large within sd Town of Eastham Nathaniel ffreeman Esqr being chosen moderator for sd meeting the Mater being agitated in sd meeting Relating to sheep going at large & the great damage by them done som moving for their going at large & and som moving against it; the sd Moderator Called for a voate whether they wold alow sheep to go at large on the Commons in sd sd Town & the voate past in the negative

entred pr Joseph Doane Town Clark

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at a Townmeeting in Eastham the 25 day of June 1733 to chuse Petit Jurymen for the Court of common Pleas & generall sessions of the Peace for the county of Barnstable on the first Tuesday of July next Nathaniel ffreeman Esqr chosen moderator then chosen for sd Jurimen Nathaniel Doane Ralph Smith Isaac higgins Nathaniel Roger: entred pr Joseph Doane Town clark

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At a Town meeting In Eastham the 8th day of August 1733 warned to agree upon Raising of a sum or sums of mony as shall be Judged needfull for paying their Representative & schoole master & for defraying other necessary charges arising in sd Town Deacon Edward Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting then concluded determined & voated to Raise the sum of one hundred & forty pounds for the ends & uses abovesd & that the assessors for sd Town forthwith make a Rate on the poles & estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Town to defray the same & deliver the lists of such Rate to the constables of sd Town for them to Colect & pay in the same To the Town Treasurer or his successor the one half thereof on or before the last day of November next and the other half thereof on or before the last day of April next to be paid out as the law directs for the uses abovesd

entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clark

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At a Town meeting In Eastham on the 9th day of October 1733 warnd to chuse Pettit Jurimen for October Court & also chuse an agent to answer sd Towns Presentment for not Repairing of their ways made at January Court last past then made choyce of Deacon Jonathan higgins Moderator for sd meeting

Then made Choyce of Mr Israel Cole to answer sd Towns Presentment made last January sessions for not Repairing their highways.

Then also made choyce of Nathaniel ffreeman jur Theophilas Paine Samuel Brown and Elisha higgins jur for Petit Jurie men for the next Inferior ~~Court~~ of common Pleas & Generall sessions of the Peace to be held at Barnstable the third Tuesday of October Instant

entred pr me Joseph Doane Town Clark

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at a Town meeting in Eastham the eight day of January 1733/4 William Paine Chosen moderator for sd meeting then made Choyce for Jurie men for the next Court Samuel ffreeman Israel Cole Josiah hawing & William Norkut: then also voated that twenty two pounds & ten shillings drawn out of the Town Treasury to discharge what was due from Joshua Cook to Doctr Dunkirst for what the Doctor sd Cook in his late bodily ailment then also voated that Mr Micaiah Snow Joseph Cole & Theophilas Mayo determin where the schole shall be kept in the northerly part of sd Town the remaining part of the schoolmasters time there or making up the year past

entred pr me Joseph Doane Town Clark

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At a Town meeting In Eastham the 4th day of March 1733/4 lawfully warned to make choyce of Town officers for the following year as the law directs as also to grant unto Mr Josiah Lues som lands in the precinct of Billinsgate & also to [illegible] what might be [illegible] to be done about killing black birds &c and also to chuse a sutable number of descreet persons to look after boys & disorderly persons on the Lords days or time of Divine servis & also to chuse two grandjurie men for the following year & four men to serve on the Jurie of tryals at the next Court the Town being acordingly assembled on sd day made choyce of Edward Knowls for moderator then made choyce of Joseph Doane for Town clerk then then made choyce of Edward Knowls for Town Tresurer then also made choyce of Captain

Samuel Knowls
Samuel Doane
James Rogers for } Selectmen: then at sd meeting made choyce of

William Paine
Israel Cole
Samuel Doane jun
Samuel Freeman jun
& Elisha Brege jun for } Assesors

Then made choyce of
Nathaniel Rogers
& Josiah Snow for } Tythingmen

Then made choyce of
Nathaniel [illegible]
Ralph Smith
Samuel higgins jur
William Walker jun
Samuel Brown &
Jeremiah Mayo for } Survayers ~~[illegible]~~

Then made choyce of
Jonathan Smith
Ebenezer higgins
Joshua higgins jun
& Thomas Bacon for } fenceviewers

Then made choyce of
[illegible] Thomas
& Jeremiah Mayo } for pound keepers

Then made choyce of
Richard Sparrow
Joseph Mayo &
John Atwood for } Constables and excepted

Then made choyce of
Samuel Doane
John Smith
Micajah Snow
Jonathan Young
& Joseph Cole for } for [illegible] men

Then made choyce of
Nathaniel higgins
& William Lues for } [illegible]

Then made choyce
of William Smith
Theophilus higgins
William walker jun
Jabiz Snow
Elisha hamlen
& John Treat
to look after boys
and disorderly persons
on the Lords day &
time of exercise

Then made choyce of
grand juriemen
Jonathan Sparrow
& Isaac Doane

Then made choyce of
Petit Jurimen
James Brown
Edward Knowls
John Walker
& Joseph Pepper

Then at sd Town meeting viz March 4th 1733/4 the Town by vote Granted unto Mr Josiah Lues about eight or nine acres of the common land towards the [illegible] in the precinct of Billinsgate neer the ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] formerly lots laid ~~out~~ neer [illegible] to be laid out by the [illegible] men & given under their hands to the Town clerk to be Recorded
Entred p Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At the above sd Town meeting viz: March the 4th 1733/4 then Concluded & voted that all and every of the Inhabitants of the Town of Eastham that shall on or before the [illegible] day of June next carry in to any or either of the selectmen of the Town of Eastham any number more or less of old crows heads or young crows heads old black birds heads or young black birds heads, old blue birds heads or young blue birds heads such selectman or selectmen receiving the same shall give a Certificate of the ~~[illegible]~~ name of such person & the number of old & young heads so Received to the Town Tresurer upon the Receipt of such Certificate shall pay to the person therein named sixpence out of the Town treasury for every old crows head & threepence for every young crows head three pence for every old black bird head & one peny for every young black bird head three pence for every old blue birds head & one peny for every young blue bird head according to the [illegible] [illegible] Entred p Jos Doane
Town Clerk

At a Town meeting the 4th day of March 1733/4 then concluded & voated that Edward Knowls Town Tresurer & precinct Tresurer shall have alowed him two pence half peny in the pound for all such money that he Received in & paid out again of the Towns money & precinct money for one year next coming that by voate of sd Town & precinct shall be raised in Town & precinct Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk.

At a Town Meeting In Eastham the first day of April 1734 warned to Choose Grand Juriemen & Petit Juriemen for the superiour Court of Judicature Court of Assize & General Goal delivery to be holden at Barnstable for the Countys of Barnstable & Dukes County on the last Tuesday of this Instant April then chosen Moderator for sd meeting Mr William Paine then Made choyce of Nathaniel Mayo & Ralph Smith for Grand Jurie men then made Choyce of John Freeman Joseph Roger James Roger Jonathan Smith: for Petit Jurien

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At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 13th day of May 1734 Edward Knowls chosen [illegible] for sd meeting warned to Choose a Representative to serve for sd Town at the great & Generall Court at Boston &c. & also to what might be proper for exchanging som lands laid out for the Indians with Samuel Smith for som of his lands in another place & also for Granting to Nathaniel Freeman a small parcel of land in the precinct of Billingsgate ~~& also to do what might be proper for the Regulating the Improvement of their [illegible]~~ medows & sedge ground in sd Town then the Town made choyce of Mr William Paine for Representative they also voated about eight acres of land in the precinct of Billingsgate to be laid out to Nathaniel Freeman as the negative men shall think ~~fit~~ & most convenient an upon their Returns to the Town clerk to be Recorded to him

+ then also voated that upon the Indians Request laid before ~~the~~ Town that sd Town shall exchange the former land laid ~~out at~~ James his neck at Billingsgate for the use of the Indians for so much land of Samuel Smiths wood land as the negative men shall judg equivilent to that in sd James his neck & that sd Negative mens Report under their hands of sd land at James his neck to the Town clerk the same shall be Recorded to sd Smith on Condition that sd Smith give unto sd Negative men a Deed of Conveyance of the land of his in exchange well executed for the use of sd Town & that sd land so granted from sd Smith shall be Recorded for the use of the Indians of sd Town as the other land at James his neck. there was then sd Meeting by voate of the Moderator called for Mr Edward Knowls was ajorned to the third day of June next at the middle meeting house in Eastham at ~~this day [illegible]~~ ten of the clock in the forenoon Entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk
47 to consider of the proposals then ~~[illegible]~~ under consideration for agreement with [illegible] and to do what is proper Relating
X to sd proposals Deacon Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting

At the ajournment of the Town meeting from the 13th of May 1734 held at the middle meeting house in Eastham on the third day of June 1734 then voated & concluded that all the com-
1 mon ~~[illegible]~~ land Medows & sedge ground in sd Eastham laid out & granted by sd Town and commited to Record in sd Towns book of Records & all the common land ~~[illegible]~~ laid out granted & commited to Record by the propriators of the common land in Eastham all heretofore shall be & Remain to each & every person to whom the same is so Respectively Recorded to, by them their heirs & assignes Respectively for ever voated & entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

2ly also then at the aforesd Town meeting it was voated & determined that the former agreement made by the Town of Eastham & the Town purchasers of sd Town of Eastham Entred in sd Towns Book of Records in folio 140 and 141 ~~made~~ the [illegible] July 1694 & finished [illegible] for ordering & disposing of common and undivided lands in sd Eastham shall [illegible] for ever according to the true meaning & Intent thereof & be the only Rule to Regulate [illegible] sd Medow or sedge ground in sd Eastham [illegible] order [illegible] hereafter. [illegible] the former moderator chosen moderator for sd Meeting ~~the moderator before [illegible]~~ [illegible] Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

Same found in record of land page 1

[illegible] of Common land by lease

X At the aforesd Townmeeting held by ajournment at the midle meeting house in Eastham the third day of June 1734 voated that Capt Samuel Knowls Timothy Cole Ralph Smith & David Doane shall be a Comitee to make proposals to sd Town what may be proper Relating to the ordering managing & improving the common & undivided Medow & Sedge ground in sd Eastham & to make their Report at the ajournment of sd meeting there sd meeting was ajournd to monday next to Receive sd Commitees Report & to act about the premises as they shall Judge proper—

entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk.

At a Town meeting In Eastham the tenth day of June 1734 at the midle meeting house in sd Eastham held by ajournment from the third day of June 1734 to Consider & do what might be proper for Regulating the Improvement of the common Medow & Sedg ground in Eastham and sd Town accordingly being assembled at the above sd meeting viz) June the tenth 1734 then proved to be voated & Concluded that the Town will & now do In Consideration of five pounds money ~~already~~ to be paid in to sd Town By Ralph Smith David Doane James Rogers & Thomas Mayo do leas out all the Common & undivided Medow & Sedg ground belonging to & lying within the Township of sd Eastham from this day untill the last day of may next (excepting only that part which is alowed to perticular persons for fenceing in Nosset flats) so as no one person or persons whatsoever shall during sd term enter upon cut or improve any of sd Common Medow or Sedge ground without the order leave or licence of the Leassee and to observe such order for cuting & time of cuting on sd Common Medow & Sedge ground as the above sd Lessee or Lessees shall direct unto the voate being severall times called for: for the above writen Edward Knowls then Moderator saith the above writen obtained a voate for the same in his observation—

entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At the above sd Meeting viz, June the 10th 1734. then the Town by voate made choyce of Nathaniel Freeman Esqr & Deacon Edward Knowls to be agents to leas out the Common Medow & Sedge ground to Ralph Smith David Doane James Rogers & Thomas Mayo pursuant to the voate of sd Town at this Meeting the voate being called for by the Moderator was at last desided by the poles & then appeared to be a voate in the affirmative

entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting at the south meeting house in Eastham on Monday the 24th day of ~~this Instant~~ June 1734 warned purely to Consider & do what might be proper for perfecting the leasing out all such common & undivided medow & sedge ground in sd Town as they shall Judge proper & convenient on such considerations & limmetations & for such term of years as they shall think proper & also to make choyce of an agent or agents to take security from and give a leass of sd Common & undivided Medow & Sedge ground in sd Towns behalf to such Leasees as shall see cause to take a leass thereof for such term of years consideration limetation & Restrictions as sd Town shall determin and also to make choyce of an agent or agents to ~~to~~ prosicute such person or persons in the law as did contrary to law cut or carry away any sedge hay or grass from or of sd common or undivided Medow or Sedge ground belonging to & lying within sd Town of Eastham ~~and to do what is proper~~ in the year 1733 & also to do what is proper to enable sd agent or agents to prosicute as aforesaid. and sd Town being accordingly assembled the sd 24th day of June 1734 made choyce of Edward Knowls for moderator for sd Meeting & then entred upon the consideration of the premises & after deliberate consideration determined that all the common & undivided medow & sedge ground lying in & belonging to sd Town of Eastham (excepting only such small [illegible] Nosset flats already [illegible] the Improvement [illegible] persons for fenceing [illegible] ~~Beach~~) shall be hired out & leased to some perticuler person or persons of sd Town not exceeding fifteen years for the sum of ten pounds a year to be paid in by the Lessees yearly & every year unto the Town Treasurer of sd Town or his successor in office for the use of sd Town as sd Town from time to time shall see cause to [illegible] the same and it is [illegible] concluded & determined that Samuel Knowles jun^r Ralph = Smith & David Doane shall be agents & accordingly are hereby chosen agents in sd Towns behalf to give a leas of sd common & undivided Medow & sedge ground not exceeding fifteen years to such Responcable person or persons of sd Town as sd agents shall Judge proper & also to take sufficient obligatory bond or bonds or promisory notes of such lessees for to oblige them to perform the conditions thereof in every perticuler especially to oblige them to pay in yearly & every year unto sd Town Tresurer or his successor in that office the sum of ten pounds in passable publick bills of Credit annually on or before the twenty fourth day of June each & every year during the term of such leace for the use of sd Town as afore sd & that upon failier of the performance of all & each or either of the conditions of such obligatory bond or bonds or promisory notes so given sd Town Tresurer or his successor in that office is hereby directed & impowered by sd Town to sue for & Recover the forfiture of such obligatory bond or bonds promisory notes or ingagements of such lessees from time to time for the use of sd Town as afore sd & that sd agents in taking such security of sd lessees take special care to Restrain sd lessees from making any other improvment of any of sd common & undivided Medow or sedge ground but only for mowing except that perticuler only lying between great Namskaket & the great medow on the westerly side of sd = Town & also that sd lessees shall not hire out or let to any one in sd term on any acount whatsoever but only to such as are the above Male Inhabitants of sd Town of Eastham who are now arived to twenty one years of age & upwards & so from time to time during the sd term shall arive to twenty one years of age & such widows Inhabitants of sd Town that have houses in sd Town Tenantable & such others as are the Lawfull Rightfull propriators of of sd Common Medow & sedge ground the above writen being severall times audibly Read in sd Meeting & considered the Moderator called for a voate to determin whether the Town then present wod confirm the same & the voate past very clearly in the afirmitive being thus voated. Entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clark

Leased for 14 years to [illegible]

Then also at the above sd Meeting Samuel Doane James Rogers Thomas Mayo and Nathaniel Mayo all of Eastham appeered to take a leas of sd Medow & sedge ground pursuant to sd Towns determination above voated, of & from sd Towns agents for the term of fourteen years next coming & sd Town then ~~present~~ voated that sd agents shal leas out sd common & undivided Medow & sedge ground to the above named Samuel Doane James Rogers Thomas Mayo & Nathaniel Mayo for & during the term of fourteen years next coming pursuant to the above determination being voated — Entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clark

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40 At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 24th day of June 1734 warned to chuse 4 Petit Jurie men for next July court & one Grand Jurie man for the year ensuing then made choyce for petit Juriemen Robert young jun^r Joseph Smith jun^r John Knowls jun^r & James Smith then also made choyce of Nathan young for grand Jurieman for the year ensuing. entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clark

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At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 6th day of August 1734 warned to [illegible] what might be proper in Raising Money to pay the Towns Schoolmaster & [illegible] other necessary charges arising in sd Town & to do what might be proper for Rectifying a mistake in [illegible] for Freemans wood lot at Billingsgat Edward Knowles then chosen moderator of sd meeting then the Town concluded determined & voated ~~to raise~~ that the sum of one hundred & fifty pounds shall be by the Assessors of sd Town Raised on the polls & estates of the Inhabitants of sd Town as the Law directs for the use & ends above sd & that the [illegible] list or a warrant for the same be delivered by sd Assessors to the ~~[illegible]~~ constables of sd Town to collect & pay in the same to the Town Tresurer [illegible] the one half thereof on or before the last day of November next & the other half on or before the last day of April next — Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clark

Then at the above sd Meeting concluded & voated that [illegible] Rectifying the mistake in [illegible] Freemans wood lot at Billingsgat [illegible] the common at Billingsgat [illegible] Report to the Town [illegible] Record. Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clark

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October 8th 1734 at a Town meeting then warned to chuse Pettie jurie men for October Court Samuel Freeman jun^r chosen Moderator then made choyce John Gilberd Joseph Cole Theophilus higgins & John harding jun^r for jurie men for October Court
then Received the Report of Samuel Freeman jun^r & Joseph Smith who were appointed to Audit the Town Tresurers acc^tts who made Report under their hands in writing that on the 4th day of September 1734 they Audited acctts with s^d Tresurer & finding s^d acctts Right cast as well as a remelt finding s^d Tresurers hands twenty seven pounds Ninteen shillings and seven pence & outstanding with the several late Constables forty two pounds seven shillings & nine pence
entred p me Joseph Doane Town clark

Petition for a County

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the eleventh day of November 1734 warned to Make choyce of an agent or agents to Meet the agents of Harwich Truro Chatham & province Town at Captain Samuel Knowls his house in Eastham on on wensday the thirteenth of November aforesd then & there to do what is proper in s^d Town of Eastham's behalf in preparing & laying a petition or Memorial before the Governer Councel and Representatives in General court assembled in order for obtaining the above s^d five towns to be a new county distinct from the county of Barnstable for such Reasons as may be given the s^d Town of Eastham being acordingly Met & Made choyce of Edward Knowles for Moderator for s^d meeting then proseded & by a unanimus voate Made choyce of M^r William Pain Cap^t John Knowles M^r John Rich agents for s^d Towns behalf to act & do what might be proper in all things Relating to the premises.
Recorded ~~entred~~ p me Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town Meeting In Eastham the 15th day of January 1734/5 then Made choyce of Jabis Snow jun^r Joseph higgins John Shaw Theophilus Paine for Petit jurie Men for the Inferiour Court of Common Pleas & Generall Sessions of the Peace to be holden in & for the County of Barnstable on the third tuesday of January instant Deacon higgins chosen Moderator for s^d meeting

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At a Town meeting In Eastham the 10th day of march 1734/5 warned to chuse all Town officers for the year insuing [illegible] to act on a [illegible] of generall & privit ways laid out by the selectmen of s^d Town as also to [illegible] [illegible] pounds of the Towns money in M^r William Paines hands & the [illegible] out of the Town Tresurey to make up the Towns County tax as ordered by the County Tresurer & for s^d Town to do what may be proper to Releive the precinct of Billingsgat that was Rated this present year for paying the schole master also for chusing petit juriemen for next Court & grand jurie men M^r Edward Knowls being chosen Moderator for s^d meeting
then the Town made choyce of Joseph Doane for Town Clark & then chose Edward Knowls for Town Tresurer
then Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel Doane jun James Rogers chosen Selectmen
then Samuel [illegible] Samuel Doane Joshua higgins jun^r chosen ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]

then Stephen Sparrow Thomas Atwood & Ebenezer Dier chosen Constables
then Israel Doane Ebenezer higgins and John [illegible]

then Jonathan Sparrow Nathaniel Smith jun Elisha [illegible] chosen Tything men
Joseph Cole Daniel Smith Gilbert [illegible] jun^r chosen ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]

Then Jonathan Smith
James Smith and
Ebenezer ffreeman
choſen fence viewers

Then Roger Thomas
& Joseph Atkins
choſen pound keepers.

Then Micaiah Snow
John Smith
Samuel Doane
Deacon higens
& Jonathan young
choſen Negative men

Then Eliſha young &
Eliſha higgins choſen
hog Rieves

Then David young jun^r
Thomas mayo and
Eleazor hamlen choſen
lether sealers

Then Nathaniel Doane
and Joseph Smith choſen
grand jurie men

then Samuel Doane
David Doane
Thomas mayo
and William Twining
choſen petit jurimen

entred p^r Joseph Doane Town
Clark

Then William Paine was
choſen Surveyer of fflax

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Alſo at s^d Town meeting the 15^th of May 1735 it being inserted In the warrant for calling s^d meeting to what might be proper in chusing a Constable to serve the year Insuing in the room of one that was choſen in March Town meeting last past that Refused to serve.
and ~~at~~ then Thomas hollbrook was choſen Constable
alſo it being inserted in the warrant for calling s^d meeting to Consider and do what might be proper In granting a small parcel of land to Jothan Brown voted that Jothan Brown should have one acre of land where his house stands in case the negative men alow it..

Then at the afores^d Town meeting voted that M^r William Paine shall draw out of the Town Treſury two pounds eighteen shillings & five pence to make up what he has already in his hands of the Towns money the Towns County Rate & that he pay in the same to the County Treſurey being the Towns proportion of the last County Rate so as to discharge s^d Town
Then alſo voted that the precinct of Billingsgat shall draw out of the Towns Treſurey their proportion of the money that they paid in to s^d Treſurey towards the Towns scholemaster the last ~~Town~~ Rate & alſo their proportion of the charge of making the new pound in Eastham the last year entred p^r Joseph Doane Town
Clark

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 14^th day of April 1735 warned to choſe Grand Juriemen and Petit Juriemen for the next superiour Court of Judicature Court of Aſsize & General Goal Delivery Capt Sam^ll Knowles being choſen moderator for s^d meeting then Made choyce of Samuel [illegible] jun^r Iſrael Cole, for Grand Jurie men then alſo made choyce of Nathaniel ffreeman jun^r Thomas Bacon Samuel Brown & James Higgins for Petit Jurie men
entred p^r Joseph Doane Townclerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 15^th day of May 1735 warned to chuse a Representative to represent s^d Town at a Great & General Court at Boston the enſuing year then Ralph Smith was choſen Representative.
alſo Nathaniel ffreeman Esq^r was choſen moderator for s^d meeting & it being Inserted in the warrant for Calling s^d Meeting to do what might be proper for Incouragement for killing blackbirds crowes &c voted that the same Incouragement be paid out of the Town Treſurey for killing crowes blackbird & blew birds as was paid out last year ~~at~~ by the vote of s^d Town at a town meeting the 4^th day of march 1733/4 & that the same Rules & orders be attended as in that vote was to be attended until the last day of June next coming
it being alſo inserted in the warrant for calling s^d meeting to do what might be proper for alowing the Towns leſsees to draw out money out of the Treſurey or alowing them so much as to anſwer the charge of the law suite they had with Edward Kenwrick voted that the leſsees shall make use of thirteen pounds nine shillings & tenpence of the money in s^d leſsees hands to be improved by ~~leſsees~~ them to pay s^d charge & the Remainder if any be in their hands be paid into the Town Treſurey
entred p^r me Joseph Doane Town [illegible]

at the afore named Town meeting the 15th day of May 1735 voted that Joshua Brown shall have laid out & Recorded to him about one acre of common land where his Dwelling house now stands in Case the negative men shall see cause to lay out & alow the same.

Road Encl. of Dry Swamp

At a Town meeting in Eastham June 16: 1735 warned to Choose a grand Juriman for the year ensuing in Nathaniel Doanes Room also to Choose two petit Jurymen for the next Inferiour Court of Common pleas & General Sessions of the Peace also to do what might be proper In granting liberty to Mr Samuel Mayo and Israel Doane to shut up a way or lane between their lands on the easterly side of the dry swamp then Samuel Doane chosen moderator for sd meeting then made choyce of Judah Rogers — for grandjuriman for the ensuing year then also made choyce of John Paine & John Bee — — for Petit Jurie men to serve on the Jury of tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas & Court of General Sessions of the Peace.
then also voated that Mr Samuel Mayo & Israel Doane shall have liberty to Joyn & shut up the way or lane between their lands on the easterly side of the dry swamp by fence Inclosing the same.

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 13th day of August 1735 warned to Raise money for what shall be due from sd Town & Relieving the poor the ensuing year, & to do what may ~~might~~ be proper in taking a new bond of the leasees to Rectifie what was wanting in the former bond by them given &c
Edward Knowles chosen moderator for sd Meeting then voated to raise one hundred & fifty pounds ~~on~~ the poles & estates of the Ratable estates of the Town of Eastham to be paid in as last year
then voated that Mr William Paine & Mr Israel Cole do audit the Town Tresurers accompts & Make Report the next Town meeting
Also then voated that the former Committee or agents chosen to take security of the ~~Town~~ leasees that took a leas of the common & individed Medow & sedge ground in the year 1734 shall take a new bond of sd leasees to mend some defects in sd former bond ~~& that~~ at sd leasees Request & that sd former bond be delivered up to sd leasees & that sd new bond be taken with conditions for preventing any cutting or carrying [illegible] ~~only qualified persons~~ according to the voate of sd Town passed at a Town meeting the 2[illegible] day of ~~for preventing any cutting or carrying [illegible] may [illegible] persons~~ June 1734 entred pr me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

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Common land leased & Trespassed upon

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 2[illegible] day of September 1735 to do what what might be proper to order money out of the Town Tresury to enable the leasees of the Towns common or individed medow to prosecute an action or actions against those that have cut & carried away grass off from sd common medow or sedge ground contrary to the direction of sd Town to sd leasees or contrary to the obligations sd leasees are under to sd Town & also for sd Town to do what might be proper in granting a small parcel of land to Joshua Brown near sd Browns Dwelling house between the land of Mr John Holbrooks & the common Roade that leades through the precinct of Billingsgate &c and such ways Reserved through sd land as sd Town shall think needfull Edward Knowles being chosen moderator for sd meeting then voated that the leasees of the Common & individed medow or sedge ground shall draw out money out of the Tresury for to enable them sd leasees to bring forward an action in the law ~~if need~~ if needfull against any Trespassers that has Trespassed upon the afore sd Common medow this present year also at the aforesd meeting being voated that Joshua Brown at Billinsgate

in sd: Range that parcell of Common land where his house now stands on the westerly side of the publick Roade betwen the head of Stumpy medow & that branch of Duck crick medow that leades up to Gross his bridg so called whome to sd holtbrooks land or so much there of as the negative men or major part of them shall think fit always alowing a Convenient way through sd Common land to the sd holbrooks land & medow within by sutable gates or bars to be Recorded by the Town clerk provided the negative men or major part of them Return their aprobation for sd Brown to have the same. entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

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At a Town meeting In Eastham the 14 day of October 1735 warnd to chuse petit jurie men & one grand jurieman for the servis of the next Court &c and also to chuse a Commitee to settle the Town schole then made choyce of samuel Doane for moderator for sd meeting. then made choyce of Jonathan Lind for Grand jurieman then made choyce of Thomas Rich junr and Isaac Pepper junr for Petit jurie men then made choyce of Capt John Knowls samuel Doane william walker junr Isaac higgins Daniel smith for a Committee to settle the Towns schoole

entred Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 5th day of January 1735/6 warnd to choose 4 Petit jurie men to atend the next Court of Common Pleas & General sesons of the Peace to be holden at Barnstable the third Tuesday of this instant then made choyce of James Rogers — for moderator for sd meeting then also made choyce of Robert young junr Thomas snow Jonathan Doane Elisha higgins junr for Petit jurie men—

entred pr Joseph Doane Town Clark

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At a Townmeeting in Eastham Legally warned to Make choyce of all Town officers for the year ensuing the eight day of March 1735/6 then at sd Meeting Edward Knowls was chosen Moderator for that Meeting then the Town procede and Made choyce of Joseph Doane for Town clerk

Edward Knowls Town Tresurer

Samuel [illegible] Doane junr
Israel Cole and
Joshua Higgins junr } assessors

Meecijah Snow
Samuel Doane senr
Benjamin Higgins } Selectmen

Joshua Treat
Christian Remick
John Atwood } Tythingmen

Samuel Higgins junr
Jeremiah Smith junr
William Walker junr
Elisha Higgins senr
Israel Young
Joshua Brown } Survayers

Jonathan Mayo
Jonathan Doane
Isaac Pirce } fence viewers

James Higgins
William Covell junr
John Smith } Constables

Capt Samuel Knowls
Capt John Knowls
Deacon Jonathan Higgens
Samuel Freeman junr
Samuel Doane senr } Regalinemen

Roger Thomas
Jeremiah Mayo } pound keepers

Robert Young
Joseph Mayo
Joseph Atkins } hog Rieves

William Paine surveyer of flax

Thomas Mayo
David Young junr
Eleazor Hamlen } Seallers of Lether

Israel Mayo Corder of wood

Jabiz Snow Surveyer of bords shingle and clabbord

David Doane
Samuel Doane junr
William Smith
Theophilus Higens } to looke after children on the Lords days

then also at sd meeting
William Norkut
William Meyrick } grand jurie men for the year

Then Isaac Pirce
Seth Knowls
Josiah Snow
Nathaniel Smith } Petie juriemen for the next court

entred p Joseph Doane Town clerk

Com to look for unpurchased land

At a Town meeting for Eastham the sixteenth day of April Anno Domini 1736 warned to make choyce of an agent or agents to make due enquiry whether there be any lands either upland medow land sedge ground Islands flats or beach within the bounds of the Town of Eastham that sd Town hath the grant to Purchess that hath not been by sd Town purchesed Purchesed & if upon due search any such is found or not so found to make Report thereof to sd Town & to take sd Towns further directions about the same that so sd Town that hath the sole Right to make Purchess thereof may proseed to Purchess the same for the use & Improvement of sd Town their heirs & successors for Ever or for quieting sd Towns Right in what is already purchesed & also for sd Town to order som money out of sd Towns Tresury to answer what has been ingaged to the Regester for copies of two Deeds to discover a privet Contrivance against sd Towns Right & privilege in their lands & to gratifie a fee to the Lawyers that have been envited to ingage & stand for the Towns Intrest & time spent about that mater as also to do what might be proper for the incuragement of killing black birds the Town being acordingly assembled made choyce of Captain Samuel Knowls moderator for sd meeting & then the Town made choyce of captain Samuel Knowls & Mr Ralph Smith to be agents for sd Town to act & do in all maters Relating to the premises & also voated that Joseph Doane Esqr sd Towns Clerk should be assisting to sd agents in shewing them the Towns Deeds & Records & giving copies as need then also the Town voated that the sum of five pounds should be drawn out of the Towns Tresury for sd agents to answer charges & engagements Relating to the premises.

entred p Joseph Doane Town clark

Also at the above sd meeting it was voated that every person & persons of the Town of Eastham should be alowed & paid out of the Towns Tresury by the Towns Tresurey threepence per hed for every old black birds hed & one peny for every young blackbirds hed known to be such and sixpence for every old Crows hed & threepence for every young crows head known to be such killed in this Town this year untill the last day of June next that shall be caryed in to the select men or either of them to be paid by sd Tresurer upon the Receipt of a certificate from the select men or either of them the number of heds being Inserted by such select men or select man

entred p Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 19th day of April 1736 warned to chuse
Grand Jurie men & petit Jurie men for the next superier Court of Judicature
Court of Assiz & General Goal Delivery then made choyce of Capt Samuel Knowls
for moderator for sd meeting, and then chose Mr William Paine & Mr Ralph Smith
51 for Grand juriemen & also then chose Timothy Cole Israel Cole John Fuller and
Josiah Harding for Petit Juriemen for sd Court & then also voated that Mehitable
Smith should draw ten pounds out of the Towns Tresury for her support under her
Indigent sircomstances it being Inserted in the warrant for calling sd meeting for
the Town to consider her sircomstances & afford her relief

entred p Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 16th day of June 1736 warned to chuse Petit Jurie men for the next Court at Barnstable the ~~first~~ ~~day of~~ Tuesday of July next then made choyce of Deacon Higgins for moderator for sd meeting then made choyce of Nathaniel Doane Thomas Knowls — for Petit Jurie men for sd Courts

Joseph Doane Town clark

Then also voated that Samuel Doane & Samuel Freeman junr should Rectifie the mistake in the bounds of a parcel of land granted to John Mulford on the southerly side of his medow called Smalleys medow at the hether medows

Town to forgive illegal claimants on condition &c. | Hose Toby's deed

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 16th day of June 1736 the Town having Received & read the Report of their agents Namly Captain Samuel Knowles and Mr Ralph Smith who were chosen agents by sd Town at a Town meeting in Eastham the 19th day of April last past in this present year 1736 for & in behalf of sd Town to make due Inquirery whether there was any lands either upland meadow or land sedge ground Islands flats or beach within the bounds of sd Town of Eastham that sd Town hath the Grant to purches that has not been by sd Town purchesed & if upon due search ~~[illegible]~~ any such is found or not found to make Report there of to sd Town and to take sd Towns further directions about the same &c.

and sd agents by there Report have made ~~made~~ due serch into the premises & find none unpurchesed

Now therefore sd Town further directs their above named agents that if in case Joshua Higgins Nathaniel Doane & Israel Cole will & do give signe seal & before som one Justice of the Peace proper to take the acknowlegment thereof acknolege & deliver unto sd agents for & in behalf of sd Town an Instrument in writing under their hands & seals in the Judgment of sd agents sufficient in law to make null & voide forever a clandestine & Illegall Deed of Convayance which they the sd Joshua Higgins Nathaniel Doane & Israel Cole took of Hose Toby bearing Date the third day of March ~~[illegible]~~ 1735 in consideration of one hundred pounds in hand paid by them to sd Hose Toby as sd Deed expresses in which sd Deed of purches by them of sd Hose Toby is Compreaended Neer one third part in valleu of all the lands in sd Township of Eastham which hath been formerly lawfully purchesed by sd Town & their predicessors & has been quietly possessed by sd Town & predicessors ever since the year 1666 that then the sd Joshua Higgins Nathaniel Doane & Israel Cole upon their executing such Instrument as above shall by sd Town be forgiven their offence in making sd Illegall purchess & that sd Town will over look the same as don through Inadvertency but if they the sd Joshua Higgins Nathaniel Doane & Israel Cole shall neglect or Refuse to make voide their abovesd Deed in such maner as above exprest then sd agents are hereby directed by sd Town to proseed against sd Higgins Doane & Cole in such way & maner as may be proper in their Judgments to make void in Law sd Illegal Deed of Convayance & not to suffer the same to Remain on Record without being made voide that so sd Town may be quiet from their unessines in being so disturbed & disquieted so unjustly in their (otherwise) peacable & quiet possessions of their lands & Inheritances lawfully aquired.

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At the aforesd Meeting the above writen being severall times red was upon calling a voate there for unanimously voated in the afarmitive
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham on the 26th day of July 1736 warned to Raise mony to pay the Towns scholemaster & other necessary charges arising in sd Town both on one acount & another & also to do what may be proper for hiring a scholemaster &c. voated that the sum of one hundred & fifty pounds be Raised on the poles and estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Town for the uses aforesd one half thereof to be paid in on or before the last day of November next to the Tresurer of sd Town or his successor & the other half on or before the last day of April next and that the select men of sd Town do procure a sutable scholemaster at their best discretion voated & entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

also then Israel Cole was appointed to agree with som sutable person to swipe the meeting house & take care of the same

at a Town meeting in Eastham warned for the Inhabitants of sd Town qualified by the law
Directed to assemble at the midle meeting house in sd Eastham on wensday the 6th day of
of October 1736 to chuse two lawfull men to serve on the Jurie of tryalls at the
next court of tryalls on the petit Jurie &c: as also to chuse a surveir &c. and also
to order money to be drawn out of the Towns Tresury to prosicute those that have
Trespased on the Towns common meadow &c. & to satisfie the lesees for their time &c
and to Rectifie and supply out of the Towns common land what is wanting in James
Browns wood lot &c at which sd meeting Micaiah Snow was chosen moderator and
then those of the Town present made choyce of Nathaniel Rogers & Nathaniel atwood
for Jurie men & Nathaniel Mayo for surveyer } Deacon David Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting.
and at sd meeting the 6th of October 1736 voated that Samuel Doane James Rogers
Thomas Mayo & Nathaniel Mayo lesees of the common and undivided meadow & sedge
ground in Eastham shold draw out of the Towns Tresury the sum twenty pounds money
to manage actions against those that have Trespased on the common meadow ground & sedge
in sd Eastham & to draw out of sd Tresury ten pounds thereof to prosicute at the next
court of common pleas to be holden at Barnstable on the third Tuesday of this Instant
and the Remainder as they shall have ocation to prosicute those that have Trespased as a
foresd & that sd lesees lay their accts of their charges before sd Town for alowance of
what shall be Reasonable and to alow sd lesees what & so much as shall be reason=
able for ~~for~~ their trouble & time in Receiving in & paying out the money they Receive of
those alowed to cut on sd commons, also at sd meeting it was voated that the negative
men shold lay out to James Brown so much of sd Towns common land as in their Judgments
shall be sufficient to make up what is what is wanting in sd Browns wood lot laid out North-
ward of the head of Blackfish creek in the late Division of lands sd Brown paying sd men
for their time & trouble voated
Entred p me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

20£ to make action against those who trespass

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at a Town meeting in Eastham the third day of January 1736/7
warned to chuse 4 Jurie men for the next court & also to do som concer=
ning the Town Tresurer to deliver to the lesees of the common meadow the
former bond in his hands that the sd lesees gave upon his sd Tresurers Receiving
the latter bond signed by sd lesees now in the hands of Capt Samuel Knowls &
52 Deacon David Knowls was chosen moderator for sd meeting
then the Town at sd meeting made choyce of Samuel Doane Isaac Doane jun
Theophilus Paine & Joseph Higgins for Jurie men then also voated that
The Town Tresurer shold deliver sd former bond to sd lesees & Receive the
bond signed by sd lesees for the Towns use
Entred p me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the seventh day of march 1736/7 warned to chuse the Town officers for the year ensuing as the Law directs & Requires & to do what might be proper for appointing a sutable person to take care of & sweep the south meeting house with all the additions there to & to chuse Grand Jurie men for the year & petit Jurie men for the next court &c: Edward Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting.

Then Joseph Doane was chosen Town clerk
and Edward Knowls chosen Town Tresurer
and Capt John Knowls
Leut John ffreeman
& Ralph Smith chosen } Select men

William Smith
William Walker jun
& Elisha Crege jun chosen } Tythingmen

James Rogers
Jonathan Smith
Samuel Doane
Elisha Higgins
Elisha Crege jun
& John Atwood chosen } Surveyers of ways

Israel Mayo
Jabiz Snow
Ebenezer ffreeman
chosen } fence viewers

then James Brown chosen constable and paid his fine to the town Tresurer.
then John Tiller
Joseph Atkins
& William Remick } chosen constables

Jonathan Higgins
Joshua Higgins jun
Jabis Snow
Samuel Doane
& Isaac Pepper chosen } Negabine men

Roger Thomas
Jeremiah Mayo
chosen } pound keepers

Robert young
Elisha Higgins
William Cole } hog Rieves

David young jun
& Joseph Smith } selers [illegible]

William Paine surveyer of flax

Israel May Corder of wood

Ralph Smith surveyer of Town shingles and clapbord

all entred by me Joseph Doane
Town Clerk

then at the abovesd meeting made choyce of Theophilus higgins and Daniel Mayo for Grand Juriemen for the year

then also made choyce of
Joseph Smith
Isaac Perce
Thomas Lincol
Joshua Hopkins jun } for petit Jurien men for the next courts

Then also voted that John Smith shold be paid ten shillings for summoning persons to bring in their weights and Measures to be sealed

then also voted that Deacon Edward Knowls as Town Tresurer & Precinct Tresurer shold have three pence on the pound for the money he Receives in & pays out

~~Then at sd meeting 7 March 7th 1736/7 shold be paid forty shillings for taking care of & sweeping the south meeting house with all the additions there to belonging for the space of one year from the time it first began~~ mis entred

Then also made choyce of
John ffreeman
Samuel ffreeman jun
Samuel Doane jun } Town assessors

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 11th day of April 1737
warned to chuse 2 grand Jury men & 4 Petti Jurie men for the superior court of
Judicature court of assize & General Gole Delivery to be holden at Barnstable for
the County of Barnstable & Dukes county on the last ~~Tuesday~~ of this Instant and also
to do what might be proper for ordering com~~mon~~ common land to be put to
Record that has ben laid out to supply & Rectifie a mistake in a way laid out
out & Recorded to Titus Wixam in the late Division of land in Eastham sd Town
being accordingly assembled Made choyce of James Rogers — for moderator for
said meeting and then made choyce of Nathaniel Mayo & David Doane
for Grand Jurie men: & then also made choyce of Benjamin Higgins Amos Knowls
Saml Doane junr Saml Brown junr for Petit Jurimen
Then voted that the sd parcels of land Returned by the committee should be put to Record to the
lot formerly laid out to Titus Wixam
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham on Monday the 9th day of May 1737 warned to elect &
Depute a person to Represent sd Town at a great & General Court at the court house in
Boston on Wednesday the 25th of this Instant may &c.
as also to lay before sd Town a list of the names of those persons quallified by law to serve
on the petit Jurie of tryals pursuant to an act entitled an act for ~~[illegible]~~ the Regulating
appointment of petit Jurors
as also to consider what might be proper to be done about the last years tax of
Theoder harding Deceast —
The Town being then assembled made choyce of Mr William Paine for a Represen=
tative then made choyce of Nathaniel Freeman Esqr for moderator for the sd Town
business at sd meeting then the selectmen laid before the Town at sd meeting a list of the
Names of the persons quallified & suitable to serve on the petit Jurie by a law bearing Date
the 27 day of April 1737
then also voted that Theoder hardings Rates for the two years past should be quited
then also voted that the last years Rates of Joshua harding Deceast should be quited
entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 28 day of June 1737 warned to
53 chuse a Grand jurie man in the Room of Daniel Mayo who paid his
fine last Court Nath Freeman Esqr chosen moderator for sd meeting then
Isaac Perce — was chosen Grandjurie man for the ensuing year

June 28: 1737 being the day appointed by the major part of the
Selectmen & Town clark of the Town of Eastham and notifica-
tion given as the Law directs for drawing of names or tickets for
petit Jurie men for the next Court on the first Tuesday of July next pursuant to the late act Jabez Snow & William
Merricks names in distinct tickets was then drawn out of the box
in the presence of the selectmen & other Inhabitants of sd Town
by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

Jury box

In Eastham the 10th day of October 1737 then everyway pursuant
to law Joshua Higgins his name on the ticket drawn out of the box
and Stephen Sparrows Name on the ticket was drawn out of the box
to serve as Petit Juriemen at the Court of common pleas & court
of General Sessions of the Peace at the next courts in sd County on the [illegible]
Tuesday of this Instant entred Joseph Doane Town clerk

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At a Town Meeting In Eastham the 15th day of August 1737
warned to Consider & determin upon Raising money to defray the nessery
Charges that shall arisen in sd Town the ensuing year Edward Knowls moderator
then voted to Raise ~~money~~ the sum of two hundred pounds on the poles
and estates of the Inhabitants of sd Town as the Law directs by a Rate forth
with to be made for the same by the assesors one half thereof to be paid
in to the Town Treasurer on or before the last day of November next
and the other half on or before the last day of April next
then also voted that James Higgins late Constable be aquited of
and from the Ibone Majos Rate
entred pr Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town Meeting In Eastham the 15th day of August 1737
warned for sd Town to Consider & do what might be proper in directing
the selectmen of sd Town of Eastham to lay a petition before the General court
praying that two of the Inferiour Courts of Common Pleas & Gen-
eral sessions of the Peace for the County of Barnstable May be yearly
held in Eastham for the county of Barnstable for the Reasons to be given
The sd Town then assembled Made choyce of Mr Edward Knowls moder-
ator for sd meeting & then entred upon the consideration of the premises
and Considered the great distance that the Town of Eastham & other Neigh-
bouring Towns that lay so far down upon the Cape are from the place
where sd Courtes are held at Barnstable for sd County so neer the westerly
end of sd county which Causes such great expences & loss of time to
Jurours & all obliged there so far to atend at Courts do humbly con-
ceive that if that if two of two of sd Inferiour Courts of common
Pleas & General sessions of the Peace Might be yearly held in Eastham
for sd county it would so far Relieve sd Towns that they thereby would be
in som good Mesure beter enabled to support their Reverend ministers
and pay their other Incumbent charges this with what may be further added
we do now determin & accordingly direct the selectmen of sd Town of
Eastham as soon as May be with Conveniency to exhibet a Petition to
the General Court in sd Towns behalf Praying for the Reasons sited & such
other as may be given that sd General Court would order two of sd Inferier
Courts of common Pleas & General sessions of the Peace for sd County may
be yearly held in Eastham being several times Read & voted to be
entred accordingly is entred pr Me Joseph Doane Town clark

(Attempt to get courts held in Eastham

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 19th of October 1737 warned to chuse
a Constable to serve in the roome of Joseph Atkins who refused to serve as Constable
Capt John Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting Barnabas young was
then chosen Constable

111) At the South meeting house in Eastham the 9th day of January 1737/8 being appointed as the Law directs to draw Notes or tickits for petit juriemen for the then next Court at Barnstable Notes were then accordingly drawn by the Town clark in the presence of the selectmen and the Inhabitants who see cause to be present & the names for the four men then drawn were Thomas Mayo Richard Mayo Joseph Mayo Jr Samuel Doane Senr

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 9th day of January 1737/8
Deacon Edward Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting
then voted that sd Edward Knowls ~~[illegible]~~ be appointed to see into the circumstances of James Browns wood lot in the northward of Blackfishcreekmeadow and to make Report of the circumstances of sd lot at the next town meeting in order for sd lot to have aditional amendment if the circumstances thereof Require it out of the undivided lands in sd Eastham
then also voted that John Walker & James Brown be alowed thirty shillings out of the Towns Treasury for the charge they were at to git obtaining Reliefe of the General Court which precinct in sd Eastham they should pay their Rates
entred pr Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 13th day of March 1737/8 warned to chuse all Town officers for the ensuing year — Deacon Knowls — then chosen moderator for sd meeting as also to do what might be proper to be done about the North precinct having returned to them their proportion of money they have been rated towards the Towns scholemaster that hath not been returned & to do what might be proper in not rating of that precinct for the future to sd Towns scholemaster or to alow them their proportion of time in sd scholemaster as also to do what might be proper In chusing an agent or agents to agree with the agents of Harwich about rating the Inhabitants of sd Eastham for lands of theirs lying in sd harwich & also of sd harwich mens lands lying in sd Eastham as also to do what might be proper about a way in the great Neck that is shut up to the damage of that neighbourhood as also to do what might be proper for killing of blackbirds

Then at sd meeting for Town officers for the ensuing year was chosen for Town

54 clark Joseph Doane.

for Town Treasurer Edward Knowls

for selectmen Samuel Doane James Rogers Samuel Freeman junr

for surveyers of ways Nathaniel Rogers Elisha higgins William Cole junr Richard sparrow Joseph Mayo 2d Joseph Atkins.

for fence viewers Nathaniel Doane John: Paine William Walker junr Joseph Mayo Jon: Atwood & Daniel Mayo

for Constables Jno Knowls Constable & excepts Richard Mayo & excepts Thomas higgins junr

for Tithingmen David higgins James smith John Atwood

for Negativemen Jonathan higgins Nathaniel Mayo ~~Ralph~~ smith David Doane Capt John Knowls

for pound keepers Roger Thomas Jeremiah Mayo

for hog Rieves William [illegible] Samuel Brown Samuel hoston

for sealers of lether Joseph smith David young junr.

for surveyer of boards clabbords & shingles Ralph smith

for Town assessors John Freeman Samuel Freeman junr Samuel Doane junr

for surveyer of flax William Paine

at the Town meeting aforesd voted that ~~Lieut John Fr~~ Captn Samuel Smith and Mr Samuel Freeman junr to Inquire into & see how much there is ~~the~~ precinct in which have been sold to sd Towns School money ~~that hath not been already returned~~ to ye North precinct & that they order the same out of sd Towns Treasury to be returned to sd North precincts Treasury.

voted that Constable Rerick be alowd ten shillings of ~~of the~~ Town Treasury for his servis in notifying the Town Inhabitants to carry in their weights & measures to the Towns sealler to be sealed.

voted that Mr John Freeman & Mr William Paine be agents in sd ~~Towns behalf~~ to agree with the agents of Harwich in determining how eastham lands lying in harwich & harwich lands lying in eastham shall be rated & assesed for the future

Grandjurie men for the year 1737/8 chosen John Paine David Brown

voted that Constable Thomas Atwood be abated Thomas Coles his Rates

at a Town meeting In Eastham the 13th of March 1737/8 then Mr William Paine was chosen ~~Moderator~~ agent for sd Town to answer to the petition exhibited by Capt Samuel Knowles Isaac Higgins & Thomas Knowls to the Court of General Sessions of the peace held at Barnstable for the County of Barnstable in January last past for their being as they say over Rated

June 29th 1738 drawn out of the box for petit Jurimen to July court
David Doane & Thomas Beacon

october 9th 1738 drawn out of the box for petit Jurie men for ~~July~~ october court
Seth Knowls & Jeremiah Smith junr

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on the 12th of March 1737/8 then drawed out of the box for petit Jurymen for the next courts of common pleas & Genll Sessions of the Peace for the county of Barnstable Samuel Cole James Brown James Higgins & John Knowls junr.

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at a Town meeting In Eastham the third day of April 1738 warned to chuse 2 Grand jurymen for the court of assize & General Goal delivery to be held at Barnstable for the County of Barnstable & Dukes County on the last Tuesday of this Instant then Ralph Smith chosen moderator for sd meeting then Samuel Doane jun & Thomas Beacon was chosen Grand Jurimen for sd Court at the same time pursuant to law was tickets drawn for petit Jurie men to serve at the superior court of
Richard Sparrow Moses Higgins Barnabas Twining & Jeremiah Snow — — —)
Judicature Court of assize & Genll Goal delivery to be held as afores

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Concerning petition of North Precinct &

at a Town meeting in Eastham the 15th day of May 1738 at the middle meeting house in Eastham it being inserted in the warrant for calling sd meeting for sd Town to consider & do what might be thought proper in answer to a petition prefered to the Great & General Court by the Inhabitants of the North Precinct in Eastham to be set off into a Township as might be seen in a copy of sd petition which they were ordered to serve the Town of Eastham with sd Town being assembled at the time & place afore sd then chose Capt Samuel Knowles moderator for sd meeting, the copy of sd Petition being Red & considered by sd Town sd Town then ~~made~~ voted the following objections against complying ~~complying to~~ with sd petition (1ly) for ~~that~~ what the Petitioners ask for in their petition is neer if not altogether one half of the lands in measure of the whole Township of Eastham and that in the south part of sd Town is two settled Minester & two churches & congregations which sd two ministers might be credebly supported & if the petitioners full asking be granted the south part of sd Town will be left under such feeble sircomstances as not able to support what they have ingaged to do & perform. (2ly) what the Petitioners ask for will take in all those families that by the Great & Generall Court were exempted from paying to the sd north precinct ministry when sd precinct was granted & weaken the Remaining part of sd ancient Town (3ly) that the only Harbour that the ancient Town of Eastham have or can have to harbour their vessels taken in loading or unloade goods either to or from Market is silver spring Harbour & the Petitioners in their asking includs & will take away sd Harbour from sd ancient Town (4ly) the only place sd ancient Town hath to sit down for whalling is Billinsgat Beach point where the whale houses now stand & the Petitioners asking will include & take away from sd ancient Town that also upon which so that sd Town can not without unacountable damage comply to the Petitioners ~~large~~ petition so large as exprest

all which was according then voted by sd Town to be entred

entred by me Joseph Doane Town clark

Dividing line should be fresh brook

~~Then~~ ~~The Town at the above sd Town meeting having heard~~ the Petitioners having made their pleas in sd meeting Plea then voted that they were willing so far to gratifie the Neighbours of sd North precinct for them to come so far southward for their Township as the fresh Brook that crosses the Publick Road by Benjamin Cooks Dwelling house thence east to the backside sea & so from the place where sd Brook crosses sd Roade westerly as sd Brook runs down into silver spring harbour & so down westerly along the middle of the harbour to Billinsgat beach point where the whale houses stand reserving the same ~~free~~ privilege to the old Town of Eastham of seting down for whalling on Billinsgat beach point where the whale houses now stand & geting of Oysters in billinsgat bay and flats as here to fore, & this dividing line will leave into the ancient Town of Eastham those families that by the General Court were exempted from paying to the north precinct ministry when the sd precinct was granted ~~give~~ & leave the ancient Town of Eastham the priviledg & benifit of part of sd silverspring harbour & with the above sd Liberty of siting down on sd beach point for whalling & geting of oysters in sd bay is what sd Town is willing to comply with voted to be entred

entred by me Joseph Doane Town clark

55 at the above sd Meeting viz May 15th 1738

Then the Town made choyce of Mr William Paine for their agent to appear for sd in behalf of sd Town at the Great & General Court to be held at the court house in Boston on the last Wednsday of May currant & at sd Court from time to time as need shall be to lay before sd great & General Court what sd Town have voted concerning the north precinct in Eastham's Petition for a Township & further to say & do what may be proper Needfull Relating to the premises voted to be entred

entred by me Joseph Doane Town clark

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at the above sd Meeting viz May 15 1738 then Mr William Paine was chosen Representive for sd Town entred by me Joseph Doane Town clark

also at the above sd meeting voted that the selectmen of the Town shold make or draw up what is proper to prevent Rams going at large yearly from the first day of August to the last day of October & to present the same to the next Court of Generall Sessions of the Peace for alowance entred by me Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 22d day of may 1738 warned to d: what
might be proper to wards mending James Browns lot Northward from black fish creek of land in the common Commite in
laying out the same as also to do what might be proper in changing the Towns way
at the great neck that goes over the slough by Israel Higgins his house for the way that
David Doane has stoped up & also with Benjamin Cook & Prince Collens &
Israel Cole chosen moderator for sd meeting then voated & concluded ~~than~~ that
the major part of the Negative men be a commitee to bound out sd way Northward
from the house that formerly was John Witherels at the great neck over the bridge
or slough of the pond so far northward till it coms clere of all Demands or intangle-
ments of any particular person or persons & to bound out sd way & to draw a warrantee Deed of
the lands in sd way for ~~them~~ David Doane Benjamin Cook & Prince Collens to signe &
acknolege of their Rights in & to the lands in sd way for sd ~~gen~~ Negative men to Re-
ceive for & in behalf of & for the use of sd Towns Inhabitants & theire successors for
ever In consideration of somuch of sd Towns Common lands to each one of sd grantees
laid out & severally bounded to them as shall be a Reasonable Compensation for the
lands in sd way in the judgment of sd Negative men & upon their sd grantees so siging
and acknoleging sd Deed of conveyance to sd Towns use as above sd for sd Town to voate
sd parcels of common lands to sd grantees to them their heirs & assignes Respectively for
ever, also at the above sd meeting voated that the Major part of the Negative men
lay out so much of sd Towns Common lands to James Brown to make up what
is wanting in his lot Northward from the head of Blackfish creek in such place or plac-
es as may be Convenient for him to make up his sd lot equivilent to other lots in the
same Division as also so much of sd common lands over & above as will answer
the charge of laying out & Recording the same & to bring in the acount of all the
same to the Town clerk to be Recorded to sd James Brown his heirs & assignes for Ever

entred p me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 9th day of August 1738 warned to Raise
money sufficient for the support of the poor & schools & defraying necessary charges
arising in sd Town & also to do what is proper to wards securing Nosset beach
from being destroyed by Cattle going there on & also to do something to pre-
vent Capt John Knowls his cattle from going over from his land to Town
flats & also to Grant to Josiah harding & Joshua Cooke Grapevine swamp
so called & the undivided land within their Inclosure then chose Deacon
Edward Knowls moderator for sd meeting then voated to Raise on the poles
and estates of the Rateable Inhabitants of sd Town for the end above sd the sum
of two hundred pounds one half there of to be paid in to the Town Treasurer
on or before the last day of ~~De~~ November next & the other half on or before
the last day of april next, then also voated that Samuel Doane Samuel Doane jr
David Doane Samuel Horton Thomas Atwood & Joseph Mayo they or any
of them to keep up a sufficient fence to keep Creatures going on Nosset beach for
the year ensuing untill March next to prevent sd Beach from being broaken
and destroyed & for their servis shall have the liberty & privilege of the comon
sedge growing on Nosset flats which was not leased out for their own use this present
year, then also voated that the select men of the Town be a commitee to
go & view the grapevine swamp & som common land there & the sircomstances
of it lying within the Inclosure of Josiah harding & Joshua Cook Deceased & set
out how much by meets & bounds thereof ~~there~~ shall be to sd Josiah harding ~~Cook~~ & how much
there of to such of the family of sd Joshua Cook as live there on the home stead
in order to be granted by sd Town by the concent of the negative men & also
to lay out a way suitable to the watering place in sd swamp & to make Report
of their doings the charge of laying out sd swamp & land to be paid by by them if
the Town grant it   voated & entred by Joseph Doane Town Clerk

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at a Town meeting in Eastham the 9th day of October 1738 warned to do what
is proper in chusing a commity or agents to Joyn with the heirs of Liut=
Joseph Snow Deceast to settle a bound of the wood lot of land laid out to sd Joseph=
Snow in the year 1715 at the head of the fresh brook that crosses the cartway
or publick Roade that leades to Billinsgit, at the head of sd brook at the =
place where the committee that laid out sd lot prefixt the place when
they laid out sd lot then to bee for the bound in that place for sd lot Capt=
Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting the Town then at sd meeting
made choyce of Joseph Doane Esqr Captain John Knowles & Mr James=
Rogers, or either two of them to be agents in sd Towns behalf to Joyn with the heirs of sd Joseph=
Snow Deceast to settle a bound at the head of sd brook at the place where the
committee that laid out sd lot then determined the place at the head of sd brook
to be the bound in that place for sd lot & when sd agents have so done to=
Report their doings in writing under their hands to the Town clerk of sd Town
to be by him put to Record in sd Towns Book of Records of lands to be the
bound in that place for sd lot voated by sd Town at sd meeting.
entred per me Joseph Doane Town clerk

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at a Town meeting in Eastham the 9th day of October 1738 warned
to do what is proper to be done about a parcel of land laid out to Mr=
Thomas Smith now Deceased on the northerly side the Town Cove for part of his plain lot in the year 1715 =
Capt Samuel Knowles chosen moderator for sd meeting then entred upon the consi=
deration of that mater as followes: whereas in the laying out of lands in said
Eastham in the year 1715 did then lay out to Mr Thomas Smith now Deceased one
parcel of land for part of his plain lot in that Division lying betwen the other
land of sd Smith & the land that formerly was William Megricks on the northerly
side of the Town Cove so called which sd parcel of land the sd Thomas Smith in
his last Will & Testament bequethed to his son Jesse Smith, & notwithstanding
John Smith of sd Eastham sometime before did exchenge sd parcel of land with the
sd Town of Eastham for land in another place where his house now stands yit the
children of the sd John Smith do challeng sd land by virtue as they say of an entailement to
them from their Deceased great Grand father Thomas Williams by his last Will & Testa=
5s ment to the end & Intent therefore that Right & Justice may be done to sd Jesse Smith
and to any person he the sd Jesse Smith shall dispose of sd land unto as he is now
about to do the Town in sd Town meeting considered concluded & voated that they
sd Town will secure & bear harmless & Indemnified any such person his her or
their heirs & assignes for Ever that sd Jesse Smith shall sell & convay sd land unto in
all Respects the above writen being Red & considered was then voated by sd Town
in sd Town meeting. entred per me Joseph Doane Town clerk

January 2: 1738/9 drawn out of the box for petit Juriemen for next
court Isaac Doane Benjamin Higgins James Smith & Thomas Atwood

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 14 day of March 1738/9 warned to mak choyce of all Town officers for the year ensuing & to chuse Grand jurien for the year & Pettit Jurimen for March Court & Grand jurien & Pettit juriemen for the for the Superier Court Cort of assize & Gener Goale Delivery & to do what is proper for fencing in Nosset Beach & for accepting a way laid out by the select men at the Great neck then chosen for moderator for sd Town meeting Edward Knowls

then chosen for Town Clerk
Joseph Doane

for Town Treasurer Edward Knowls

for select men Samuel Doane
James Rogers
John Rich

for assessors John Freeman
Israel Cole
Stephen Sparrow
Jonathan Doane
Samuel Smith

for Surveyers Jonathan Smith
Samuel Higgins junr
Joseph Mayo
William Walker junr
Silvenis Snow
& John Young

for fence viewers Jeremiah Mayo
Samuel Brown
David Doane
Benjamin Higgins
Joseph Cole
Samuel Horton

for Constables Joshua Hopkins
William Meyrick
Eleazor Atwood

for Tythingmen John Cole junr
Elisha Higgins junr
Israel Young

Pound Keepers Roger Thomas
Jeremiah Mayo

for hog Rieves Elisha Young
Elisha Higgins
Ebenazor Atwood

for Sealers of Lether Joseph Smith
David Young junr

for Negative men Jonathan Higgins
Capt Samuel Knowls
Jabiz Snow
Samuel Doane
Capt Samuel Smith

for Grand Juriemen for the County this year Barnabas Twining
Joseph Smith junr

Petit Juriemen for Barnstable Court
Josiah Harding
Josiah Snow
Christian Remick
Edward Knowls junr

for the Superier Court Grand juriemen
Israel Doane
Joshua Knowls

for the Superier Court Petit Juriemen
Ralph Smith
Joseph Cole
Nathaniel Doane
Samuel Brown

to look after boys in the meeting houses on Lords days chosen William Smith
Samuel Doane junr

entred p me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

at the above sd Town meeting viz march the 14 : 1738/9 determined & voted that Samuel Doane David Doane Samuel horton Joseph Mayo Thomas Atwood & Jonathan Doane shold have the yearly Improvment of the Sedge ground at Nosset flat that was not leased out for & during the term that the other Sedge ground & flats are leased out provided and on Condition they fence & keep off all Cattle & hors kind from going on Nosset beach from time to time & at all times during all said term.

entred p me Joseph Doane
Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 14th Day of May 1739 warned to chuse a Representative & also Inserted in the warrant for warning sd meeting to do what might be proper for shuting up the lane betwen the land of Mr Barnabas ffreeman & the land of Jabiz Walker by gates or barrs Deacon Edward Knowls Chosen moderator for sd meeting. then made choyce of Mr William Paine for Representative. then also voted that the way that lades from Samuel ffreeman Junr to wards Thomas Beacons be alowed to be shut up at each end by Convenient gates to pass through during the Towns Pleasure. entred by me Joseph Doane Town clark

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June 18th 1739 the Pettit Jurie men then drawn out of the Box to serve at next July Courts ware Simeon Doane & Daniel Mayo

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At a Townmeeting in Eastham the 6th day of august 1739 warned to consider about Raising of money for the support of the Poor of the Town & scholemaster and other Town charges for the ensuing year & settling that matter about the common land & grapevine swamps Deacon Edward Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting. and then at sd meeting the Town Tresurer Informed the Town that there was of sd Towns money in the former Rates out standing in the former Constables hands two hundred and twenty four pounds which was concluded wold be enough for the support of the poor & pay the scholemaster & other Town charge the Insuing year & therefore concluded to Raise no money more on the Town for that ocation this year
voted & entred by me Joseph Doane Town clark

At a Townmeeting in Eastham the first day of october 1739 warned to chuse two Pettit Jurie men to serve on the Jurie of tryals at the Inferiour court of Common Pleas & court of General sessions of the Peace to be held at Barnstable the third Tuesday of this Instant Israel Cole — Chosen moderator for sd meeting & then was chosen for sd Jurie men Isaac Pepper & Joshua Treat

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57 At a Town mee[illegible]g in Eastham the 7th day of January 1739 alis 1740 warned to Choose 4 Pettit Jurie men for the Insuing Court of Common Pleas and General sessions of the Peace to be held at Barnstable Edward Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting then Chose for sd Juriemen Deacon Edward Knowls Joseph Smith Joshua higgins junr & Jonathan Mayo

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 10th day of March 1739/40 warned to chuse Town clerk Constables Selectmen & all other Town officers as the law directs for the ensuing year &c and also to chuse two grand Jurie men for the year & also to chuse four Petit Juriemen for the next Inferier Court of Com: mon Pleas & Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be held at Barnstable for the Count: of Barnstable the third Tuesday of this Instant March Edward Knowls then chosen Moderator for sd Town meetings.

Then was chosen Joseph Doane
Town Clark and other Town officers as follows

Edward Knowls Town Tresurer

Israel Cole
Stephen Sparrow
and Jonathan Doane
Town assessors

Nathaniel Doane
Samuel Higgins junr
Joseph Mayo
Samuel Higgins
John Atwood
Daniel Cole Senr
Surveyers of ways

Robert young junr
Samuel Higgins junr
Joseph Mayo
John Atwood
Daniel Cole Senr
fence viewers

Joshua Treat
Elisha Higgins junr
Daniel Mayo paid his fine
Constables

Nathaniel Doane
Samuel Doane junr
Tything men

David young
Israel Atwood
John Atwood
hog Rievs

Roger Thomas
Jeremiah Mayo
Pound Keepers

Joseph Smith
~~David~~ young junr
Sealers of Lether

William Walker junr
Ebenezor Freeman
to Inspect the Law for Killing of Deer

David Doane
John Rich
Benjamin Cook
John holbrook junr
Petit Jurimen

James Smith
Daniel Cole junr
Grand Juriemen

Samuel Doane
James Rogers
John Rich
Select men

Jabiz Snow
John Freeman
capt Samuel Knowls
Isaac Doane
James Rogers
Negative men

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 14th day of April 1740 warned to chuse Grand Juriemen & Petit Jurimen for the Superier Court of Judicature Court of Assize & General Goal delivery to be held at Barnstable for the County of Barnstable and Dukes county on the last Tuesday of this Instant Ralph Smith chosen Moderator for sd meeting then was chosen for

Grand Jurie men
John Freeman
Jonathan Smith
Grand Jurie men

Jonathan Doane
Samuel Doane junr
Jonathan Sparrow
Sollomon Pepper
Petit Jurie men

At a Town Meeting In Eastham the 21 day of May 1740 warned for the perticulers
to be attended as in the warrant for calling sd Meeting exprest Then made choyce of
William Paine Esqr to serve for & Represent sd Town for the folloing year & Represent
sd Town in the Great & Generall Court or assembley appointed to be held at the Court
House in Boston for His Majestys servis upon wensday the 28 day of may Current -
Then made choyce of Coll = John Knowls for Moderator for sd meeting.

At a Town Meeting In Eastham the 21 day of May 1740 being warned in part
for ~~that~~ purpose fallowing Coll John Knowls Chosen Moderator for sd meeting.
Then determined voated that the select men of sd Town or the major part of them take a valluation in their
Judgment of the Damage done in & to sd Town by the sea fires winds & sands
destroying such great quantitys of their medow ground ~~&~~ lands & firewood & fencing
stuff ~~by flood fire & sands [illegible] in their lands in order for him~~ and exhibit
the same under their hands by petition to the Representative of sd Town In order for him to lay
the same ~~by Petition~~ before the Great & Generall Court for their Consideration for
som abatement ~~of~~ in the sd Towns province ~~publick~~ Tax next.
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At the same Meeting above sd voated that William Paine Esqr & Mr Israel Cole
shall som time before the Town meeting & precinct meeting for Raising money next on sd Town &
precinct Audit the Town Tresurers accompt & Precinct Tresurers accompt
and make Report there of at sd Town meeting for Raising Money as afore sd
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the second day of June 1740 warned to chuse
a constable to fill up the vacancy in the north precinct & for closing some lanes
to be shut up by convenient gates to pass & Repass where it may not be to much predicial &c
Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting then made choyce of Israel young
for constable for the ensuing year then also Considered & voated to shut up the lane be-
tween Justice Doanes land & the land of Israel Mayo by a sutable gate for passengers for-
Carting & other ways none living within to turn their sheep out sd gate & none living with
out sd gate to turn their sheep in & this to continue till the Town shall order other ways.
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At the same Town meeting Considered & voated that the gates already made & lanes shut
up by the meeting house & by Moses bixbees & neer Joshua hopkins's & Jonathan smiths
be continued ~~till~~ till the Town shall order other ways none that live within sd gates to
turn their sheep out & none that live without to turn their sheep in
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

54 At the same Town meeting Considered & voated to fence across the way from the
easterly corner of Jeremiah Smiths land to Capt Freemans land & from Deacon =
Samuel freemans land to the ministeriall land & across the lane by the herren
brook. with convenient gates at each place to pass & Repass with carts for all
persons catle & horses during the Towns pleasure & no longer.
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

* Deacon Knowls was chosen moderator for sd meeting
At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 17th day of June 1740 ~~warned~~
~~to warned~~ to Reconsider & do what might be proper for making void
and null what past at a Town meeting in Eastham the second day of this
instant June Relating to fencing across the high way or common Road
between the land of Capt Samuel freemans land & the land of Jeremiah Smith
and also across sd Road between the land of Deacon Samuel freeman & the
ministerial land & also the way or lane by the herring pond & it was then
* accordingly Considered & voated by the Inhabitants of the Town at sd meeting
that the above sd high way & lane should not be shut up by fencing across as
as afore sd. being voated is entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 17th day of June 1740
to Chuse two Pettit jurymen to serve at the Inferiour Court of Common
Pleas & Generall Sessions of the Peace to be held in & for the County of Barnstable
on the first Tuesday of July Deacon Knowls — Chosen moderator for sd meeting
then Made Choyce of Ensign Saml Smith & Isaac Higgins ~~Deacon Edward Knowls chosen~~ — for Pettit jurimen

at a Town meeting in Eastham the 17th day of June 1740 warned to do what
may be thought proper & benificial for Reassuming the voat that passed at a
Town meeting in sd Eastham the second day of June Instant for stoping up
a cross the high way or Common Road between Mr Webbs land & the land
of Deacon Samuel freemans land & across the high way from Capt freemans
land & Jeremiah Smiths land & a cross the ~~lane~~ way by Josiah hardings house
or neer thereabouts & also to Chuse a constable for Billinsgat precinct & also
Deacon Edward Knowls — Chosen Moderator for sd meeting.
what is proper for Rectifiing the Minesterall medow at Billinsgat
Josiah harding then Chosen Constable to fill up the vacancy

Sd Josiah harding by Reason of Sundry bodily Infirmities as was made evident
at sd meeting was by voate of sd Town then dismist & the Town proseeded to a
New choyce, then Made Choyce of Ephraim Covell chosen Constable.

at a Town Meeting In Eastham the 17th day of June 1740 warned to do
what is proper in Rectifying the Minesterial lot of medow in the north
Precinct in Eastham that is Much destroyed by sand & ~~th~~ as much as it is
of absolute Necessity that somthing be speedily done to Rectifie that matter
that so the Reverend Mr Lewes May Reap ~~may~~ his benifit there
as was Intended it is accordingly Considered voated & ~~intended~~ determined
that Capt Samuel Knowls & Mr James Rogers two of the Negative men
go to Billinsgat & see if any Medow there Can be obtained in any Reasonable
Maner & if so for them to bound out the same if any exchange
Can be made of any person there & Make Report of their doings at the
next Town meeting In order for the sd Towns lessees to give a quit claim
to sd Town of such of their lease medow that may be exchenged for other
Medow for the use of the Minestry their & for such other person to give conveyance
of any part of his Medow to the Town for the use of the Minestry
there & for him so exchenging to Receive a grant from the Town thereof
& the sd leasees to be by sd Town kept harmless in quiting their claim
their unto. voated and entred by me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 11th day of August 1740 warned warned
to do what might be proper in Raising money to support the poor & the school
and other necessary charges that shall arise & also to do what might be proper
in chosing a Constable in the North Precinct Deacon Edward Knowls chosen
Moderator for sd Meeting the Town being Informed from the Town Tresurer that
there was money outstanding in the former & late Constables hands to supply that
matter did not proseed to Raise money. then at sd meeting made choyce of Ephraim
Covell for one of the Constables for sd Town for the Insuing year
entred Joseph Doane Town Clerk

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at a Town Meeting in Eastham the 15 day of September 1740 warned to Chuse
an agent to take a Deed in sd Towns behalf of Ebenezer freeman of a peece of
his medow in order for sd Town to Grant the same for the use of the Ministry in the
North precinct in Eastham Edward Knowls chosen Moderator for sd Meeting and
then Made choyce of Capt Samuel Knowls for sd agent
Recorded pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Townmeeting In Eastham the 13th day of October 1740 warned to chuse two Petit Jurie-
men for the next Court of common pleas & General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Barnstable
&c. and to chuse agents to Rectifie a mistake in laying out of lots in the Great medow of which
Capt Samuel Knowls & James Smith are now concerned with then made choyce of Mr Ralph
Smith for moderator for sd meeting & then made choyce of Christian Remick & Jonathan
Higgins junr for Petit Jurie men. and at sd Townmeeting it was considered that Whereas a parcell of Medow in the Great
Medow formerly Granted by the Revd Mr Samuel Treat to Mr John Paine now in
the Right of James Smith & he complaining that in the laying out of Common me-
dow in sd Great Medow the sd Towns Committee did Infrig upon & take away part of his
sd medow by laying out part thereof in to a lot then laid out now the lot of Capt
Samuel Knowls, voated that William Paine Esqr & Mr Joshua Higgins junr
be a Committee or agents for sd Town to go on the spot & see whether the Towns
Committee in laying out sd Common medow there have taken away any part of sd
Smiths medow there in to that Common lot there laid out now belonging to sd
Capt Samuel Knowls & if any then how much & to make Report there of at the
Next town meeting in order for the Town then to chuse a committee to lay out
so much Common medow or sedge ground to the person injuried to Rectifie that
error that so the he may have his Just due & if there be no defect found in what
the Committee formerly did then the Complainant James Smith to pay the charge of
the Committee now sent to view & make Report
Entred by me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 19th day of November 1740
warned to chuse a Town Tresurer to supply the vacancy ~~and~~ made by the
Death of Edward Knowls late Town Tresurer: then made choyce of Samuel
Freeman junr for Town Tresurer: and Capt Samuel Knowls moderator
for sd meeting. then also chose sd Samuel Freeman & Israel Cole a committee to inspect the
former Tresurers accounts & make Report there of to sd Town & also that
said Samuel Freeman take care that Mr Webb have the Remainder of his
fire wood procured ~~the~~ for the year.
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At a Townmeeting In Eastham the 12 day of January 1740/41 warned to
chuse 4 Petit Jurimen to serve on the Petit Jurie at the next Court to be held at
59 Barnstable for the County of Barnstable on the third Tuesday of this present
John Freeman Chosen moderator for sd meeting then for sd Juriemen made choyce
of Capt Samuel Knowls Eliazor Freeman Thomas Beacon & William Knowls
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

January the 7th 1740/41 Then John Doane of Eastham gave notice in wring
to me Joseph Doane Town Clerk of the Town of Eastham that on five days
before he the sd John Doane ~~that~~ found & took up on the Backside shore in said
Town of Eastham One Pack of Cotton wooll & two or three yards of blew shorge
Cloth & also then ~~& there of~~ found a small part of a bow of a vessel the oner
of all which is not known and prays the directions of the Law may be attend.
Relating to the same. January 7th 1740/41 then the above Information was
in a Book -:- entred as the law directs by me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

January the 8th 1740/41 then Seth Knowls of Eastham gave notice in writing to me
Joseph Doane ~~[illegible]~~ Town Clerk of the Town of Eastham that on the third day of sd January
he found & took up on the back side shore in sd Town of Eastham one pack of
Cotten wooll the oner of which is not known & prays the directions of the law
may be attended Relating to the same January the 8th 1740/41 then the above
Information was entred as the law directs by me Joseph Doane Town Clerk
and then also at the same time the sd Seth Knowls having notified
me as Justice of the Peace of sd Cott goods I then gave out a warrant
to Israel mayo & Joshua Doane for the appraizing the same
Joseph Doane Justice Peace
the charge there of being 0-4-6.

January the 8th 1740/41 then Benjamin Higgins and Benjamin higgins junr both of Eastham gave notice in writing to
me Joseph Doane Town clerk of the Town of Eastham that on the third day of
said January they found & took up on the back side shore in sd Town of Eastham
part of one pack of Cotten wooll the oner of which is not known & prays the
directions of the Law may be attended Relating there to. January the 8th then the above
information ~~was~~ as the law directs
1740/41 entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

March the 10th 1740/41 then Samuel Doane junr of Eastham
Gave notice to me Joseph Doane in writing Town Clerk of the Town of Eastham
that on the fifth day of March Instant he then found & took up on
the Backside Sea shore in Eastham aforesd one pice of woolen cloth
the oner not known: March the tenth 1740/41 then the above Infor-
mation was entred as the law directs.
By me Joseph Doane Town Clerk.

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 9th day of March 1740 41 warned to chuse the Town officers for the ensuing year as the Law every ways direct as also to chuse County Tresurer & Register of Deeds & also to Receive the Committee Report Relating to the former Towns Tresurers accts & to act thereon what may be proper, as also to do what is proper for chusing a Committee out of each part of sd Town to proportion said Town into three equall parts according to the number of families in order for each perticular part in sd Town to have their equall part & proportion of time & benifit alike of sd Towns schoolmaster for the future & for each perticular part in sd Town to order the Removes of sd schoole master among themselves so as may be to their own benifit ease and comfort Israel Cole being first chosen moderator for sd meeting the Town then proseeded to the work of the sd meeting as in the warrant for calling sd meeting was exprest and first Joseph Doane was chosen Town clerk & sworn

Then Samuel Freeman was chosen Town Tresurer & it was voted to allow him three pence on the pound for Receiving in & paying out the sd Towns money

Then chose for Town assesors	Israel Cole Stephen Sparrow & Jonathan Doane
Then chose for select men	Samuel Doane James Rogers John Rich
Then chose for surveyers of ways	Nathaniel Doane Samuel Higgins junr Jabez Snow Elisha higgins Ebenezer freeman & Israel young
Then chose for Tything men	Joseph Hamblton William walker junr & John Atwood
Then chose for fence viewers	Theophilus Mayo William Knowls & Daniel mayo
Then chose for Constables	Eliezor ffreeman & John Paine each of which declared declared their Refusall to serve. then chose William Twining Ebenezor Higgins & Ebenezor Atwood
for Negative men then chose	Deacon Jonathan Higgins Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel Doane & John ffreeman & Jabez Snow
Then chose for sealers of lether	Joseph Smith & David young junr
for surveyers of shingles	Thomas Beacon Sollomon Pepper
Then chose for officers to ~~prevent~~ the killing of Deer	Ebenezer ffreeman & william walker junr
for hog Reeves	Israel Mayo & Joseph Pepper
for pound keepers	Roger Thomas & Jeremiah mayo
for [illegible]	Israel Cole & Samuel Doane junr

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entred Joseph Doane Town clerk

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at the above sd Town in Eastham Then at sd meeting ~~&~~, the 9th day of March 1740/41 Then was chosen for the Committee to proportion sd Town into three equal parts ~~in proportion~~ according to the number of families in order for each perticular part in sd Town to have their equal parts or proportion of time & benifit alike of the sd Towns schoolmaster for the future &c. and then for sd Committee was chosen Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel Freeman junr & John Rich.

entred Joseph Doane Town clerk

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at a Town meeting the 9th day of March 1740/41 then ~~the Returns of~~ Samuel Freeman jr and Israel Cole made their Report of their Audit of the Accompts of Deacon Edward Knowls late Town Tresurer Deceased as in their Report exprest wherein they declare that on the first day of December 1740 they examined the late sd Tresurers accompts & found them Right cast & well voucht & there is Remaining in the Tresury due to sd Town one hundred and twenty five pounds sixteen shillings & six pence and out standing in the several Constables hands one hundred & eight pounds thirteen shillings & nine pence which Return and Report of sd Freeman & Cole was voted accepted.

entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

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at a Town meeting the 9th day of march 1741 then made choyce of Joshua Knowls & [illegible] Rogers for Grand jurie men for the ensuing year and then also made choyce of Samuel Freeman Israel Cole Jonathan Higgins junr & John Rich for Petit jurimen for the next Courts in Barnstable.

Entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 30th day of March 1741 warned to chuse 4 Petit Juriemen & 2 Grand Juriemen for the Superier Court of Judicature Court of Assize & Generall Goal Delivery to be held at Barnstable for the County of Barnstable and Dukes County on the fourth Tuesday of April next then was chosen Moderator for said meeting Mr Ralph Smith: then also for Petit Juriemen was chosen Joseph Smith Seth Knowls Prince Collens & Moses Sixlee then also was chosen for sd Grand Juriemen Samuel Doane Eliezer Freeman

entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 18th Day of May 1741 warned to chuse a Representative then Made Choyce of Coll John Knowls for their Representative to Represent them at the Great & Generall Court &c.

entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 18th day of May 1741 warned for that purpose first made Choyce of Capt Samuel Knowls Moderator for sd meeting the Towns Committee that was chosen at the Town meeting March the 9th 1740,41 Namely Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel Freeman junr & John Rich then declared under their hands in writing their dividing the sd Town in to three equall parts acording to the Number of families for setling the Towns Schole Master in each perticuler part or division acording to equal proportion which sd Division is as follows the Northermost Division consisting of one hundred & three families is to the Northward of the Brook that runs down to the southward of David Browns & Richard Cooks houses: the Midle Division consisting of one hundred & three families is from sd Brook Southward of David Browns and Richard Cooks taking in all the families with Joshua Higgins junr & all that live to the westward side of the way that leads to Harwich so far as to take in David Higgins Livtt John Freeman with Capt Samuel Knowls junr [illegible] the Southerly Division consisting of one hundred & three families is the Remaining part of families in sd Town being the Southerly part of sd Town.

Town districted into 3 to support school, 103 families each

And at the aboves'd Town meeting viz, May the 18th 1741 it was then voted concluded & Determined that in the Northerly sd Division in sd Town that Capt Samuel Smith Deacon Elisha Doane Isaac Higgins Ebenezer Atwood Daniel [illegible] shall be a Committee with one of the select men of sd Town to settle the Towns Schole master in that Division so as May be Most convenient for the whole Respectively.

Then also at the aboves'd Town meeting viz, May the 18th 1741 it was then voted concluded & determined that in the Midle division in sd Town Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel Freeman David Doane Jonathan Doane & William Myrick shall be a Committee with one of the selectmen of sd Town to settle the Towns Scholemaster in sd Midle Division so as May be Most Convenient for the whole Respectively.

Then also at the aboves'd Town Meeting viz, May 18th 1741 it was then voted concluded & Determined that in the southerly Division in sd Town that Wiliam Paine Esqr [illegible] Benjamin Higgins Israel Cole & Richard Sparrow shall be a Committee with one of the select men of sd Town to settle the Towns Schole master in sd Division so as May be Most Convenient for the whole Respectively.

It was also then voted at the aboves'd Town meeting viz, May 18th 1741 that the Towns Schole master for the first year [illegible] Division [illegible]

entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

the 18th day of May 1741
At a Town meeting in Eastham warned for that purpose, Capt Samuel Knowles
chosen Moderator for sd Meeting: ~~it was then voted~~ pursuant to the Notice given
in the warrant for calling sd Meeting the Town then Made choyce of Nathaniel
Mayo of Eastham in the County of Barnstable yeoman to be their sd Towns agent
to prosecute in the Law any & every person or persons not being Inhabitants in
sd Town of Eastham that shall at any time or times hereafter Presume to take &
carry away any lime stones belonging to sd Town of Eastham and to prosecute
any such person or persons from court to court in any court proper to try the same
and to substitute one or more attorney under our sd agent & the same again at pleasure
to Revoak and to prosecute compound or agree as in his Jugment may think fit
and fully & finally to act transact for & in behalf of sd Town Relating to the premises
to all intents & purposes. & to be accountable to sd Town for his Receipts
Entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

~~At a Town meeting in Eastham the 23rd day of June 1741 warned to chuse one or~~
~~more persons Resident in sd Town to Represent them at a great & General Court or assem-~~
~~to be held & kept for his majestys servis at the Court House in Boston on wednsday the~~
~~day of July next then at sd meeting made choyce of to Repre-~~
~~sent them at sd Great & General Court as aforesd~~

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At a Town meeting in Eastham the 23rd day of June 1741 warned to chuse two
good & Lawfull men of sd Town to serve as Petit Jurie men at the Inferior Court of Com-
mon Pleas & Court of Genll Sessions of the Peace to be held at Barnstable for the County
on the first Tuesday of July next, as also to chuse a Pound keeper to supply the vacancy
made by the Removal away of the late Pound keeper as also for sd Town to consider &
do what may be thought proper to be done in alowing swine going at large within the
bounderies of sd Town under such Restrictions as the Law alows Towns to do, as also to
do what may be proper in fencing to prevent cattle going off Coll John Knowles
land to the sedg flats called Town flats: Coll John Knowls – being then chosen
Moderator for sd Meeting, then the Town at sd meeting chose Nathaniel Mayo &
Nathaniel Doane Petit Jurie men for sd Courts above mentioned
~~Then also was chosen for Pound keeper~~ ~~then also [illegible] into the~~
~~Consideration of swines going at large in sd Town~~ entred pr Joseph Doane Town
Clerk

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 29th day of June 1741 warned to chuse a
61 Representative to Represent sd Town at a Great & Generall Court to be held at Boston
for his majesties servis at the Court house in Boston on the eight day of July next
then made choyce of Coll John Knowles for sd Representative
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 29th day of June 1741 warned to chuse a pound
keeper to supply the vacancy made by the Removal of the former or late pound keeper
Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting, then made choyce of Richard
Paine for Pound keeper for the ensuing year entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

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At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 29th day of June 1741 warned for sd Town to
&c do what might be proper in alowing swine going at large within the bounds of sd
Town under such Restrictions as the law alows Towns to do then it was considered and
voted ~~that~~ at sd meeting that swine be alowed to go at large within the bounds of
sd Town under such Restrictions as the law gives liberty for Towns to alow Capt ~~John~~
~~Knowls~~ Samuel Knowls being chosen Moderator for sd meeting.
Entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 29th day of June 1741 it being Inserted
in the warrant for calling sd Meeting viz, also for sd Town to Consider ... what
may be proper to prevent Creatures being drove on Billingsgate Beach or going there
Capt Samuel Knowls being Chosen Moderator for sd Meeting it was then Considered
and voated that ~~the town the~~ Coll John Knowls the Towns present Representative
should lay that Matter before the Great & General Court in order for sd great & General Court
to pass an act to prevent Creatures being drove or going on sd Beach for the Reasons
to be given. entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town Meeting In Eastham the 16th day of September 1741 warned to Consider & do what may be proper in Raising of money to pay the Towns schole master & support of the poor & other Necessary Town charges for the year ensuing. & Mr Israel Cole chosen Moderator for sd Meeting then it was Considered Concluded & voated to Raise on the poles & estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Town of Eastham the sum of one hundred & thirty pounds for the uses above sd to be colected and paid into the Tresurer of sd Town of Eastham or his successor as the assessors of sd Town shall order.

it was voated: & entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 16th day of September 1741 Mr Israel Cole chosen Moderator for sd meeting & it being Inserted in the notification for calling sd meeting to Consider & do what may be proper in granting som common land to Benjamin Higgins lying neer the head of Namskakit ajoyning to the land he there bought of Peter Nickason the same being then by sd Town in sd meeting Considered it was then voated that the Major part of the Negative men of sd Town shold bound out to sd Benjamin Higgins the common land neer the head ~~of~~ Namskakit that had ben fenced in by Robert Nickason being four acres more or less and Make Report thereof under their hands to the Town clerk of sd Town & that thereupon the sd Town Clerk Record the same to the sd Benjamin Higgins his heirs & assignes for Ever.

entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

December the third 1741 then Prince Collens & Calib Cooke both of Eastham gave notice ~~in writing under their hands~~ in writing under their hands to ~~me~~ Joseph Doane Towne clerk of sd Town of Eastham that they took up ~~some~~ a considerable quantity of bords & ~~some~~ som slit work timber on the 30th day of November last past on the seashore on the west side of the Town of Eastham the owner not known & prayed such orders to be taken relating thereto as the law directs. which is accordingly entred then by me Joseph Doane Town Clerk Saml ffreeman & Calib Cook (apointed & sworn to prize sd goods)

December the 4th 1741 then Joshua Eldredg of Chatham gave notice in writing to me Joseph Doane Town clerk of the Town of Eastham that on the 30th day of November ~~la~~ last past he with Joshua Rich of Eastham took up a considerable number of bords & slit work timber & som plank a drift on the seashore on the west side of the Town of Eastham neer billingsget the oner not known: & prays such orders may be taken by me Town clerk ~~as Justice Peace~~ as the law directs for me to do relating to the same

then entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

December 5th 1741 then Samuel ffreeman junr & John Doane made Returns upon their oathes that ~~that~~ the bords planks & slit work timber by them prized found as by the account given by Prince Collens & Calib Cooke both of Eastham in the whole amounted as in their the sd prizers Returns to the sum of — — — 16 – 15 – 06

Entred by me Joseph Doane Justice Peace

December the 8th 1741 then Samuel ffreeman junr & John Doane made Returns upon their oaths that the bords plank & slit work timber by them prized found as by the sd account given in by Joshua Eldredg by him & Joshua Rich found ware by them ~~the~~ ~~prized~~ ~~ca~~ ffreeman & Doane prized worth in all — — 22 – 11 – 06

entred by me Joseph Doane Justice Peace

January 2 : 1741/2 Then John Smith junr gave notice in writing under his hand in behalf of ~~Solloman~~ Smith & others of Eastham to me Joseph Doane Town clerk that ~~on~~ Tuesday last past Solomon Smith & others took up a Canne a drift on the shore at Billingsget Beach in Eastham the oner not known —

entred by me Joseph Doane Townclerk

62 On the 2nd day of January 1741/2 then Richard Paine & Jeremiah Smith ware apointed & sworn to make a just & equal aprizement of the above Canne & accordingly on the same day made their Returns under their hands to my self ~~that they~~ prized sd Canne to be worth three pounds returned to me they being sworn thereto & Returns made to me

Joseph Doane Justice Peace

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 14th day of December 1741 at the middle meeting
House In Eastham warned to Consider & do what might be proper In chusing a Commitee
in sd Towns behalf to draw a Petition to lay before the Great & Generall Court siting
or to be siting In Boston Relating to the great destruction that is lately made
on sd Towns medow ground being destroyed by the sea breaking in upon & covering up
the same in so great maner with sand, & also the destruction sd Towns fire wood
by Runing fires & also to do what is proper for preventing Billingsgat beach being
~~Beach~~ destroyd. sd Town being acordingly assembled at time & place made choyse
of Mr Samuel Doane Moderator for sd Meeting: and then made choyce of
Mr Samuel freeman junr & Mr Ralph Smith to be a Committee in sd Towns behalf to draw a Petition
to lay before the sd Great & Generall Court Relating to the Premises In order to
obtain abatement of sd Towns Province tax for the future if it may be for the Reasons to be given
and that the same Committee offer a Petition to sd Great & Generall Court praying
said Court to pass ~~such~~ an act for the preserving sd Billinsgat beach from vessels &c as may be proper
for the Reasons to be given and that Collonal John Knowls sd Towns Representative
lay sd Petitions before sd Great & General Court for obtaining Relieff to sd Town.
voted by sd Town and entred by me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 7th day of January 1741/2 warned to
choose 4 Petit juriers for January Court Israel cole chosen Moderator for sd meeting
then ware chosen for Petit juriemen David Doane Barnabas freeman Israel mayo
and Joseph sparrow entred by me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham the first day of March 1741/2 at the middle
meeting House in Eastham warned to Consider & do what might be then thought
most proper to be done in order to take up the leas that was given of the common
medows in Eastham and also to Consider & do what might be thought proper for the
better & more orderly improving of sd Common medows for the future in improving
them in severall sollicities or any other way as shod be thought best as also to grant
liberty to John Paine & others to shut up the lane that leads to [illegible] John Tailors
[illegible] of the ministeriall land & others on the west side & James higgens his land [illegible]
[illegible]: Captain Samuel Knowls being first chosen Moderator for sd Meeting
it being a very full Town meeting & after much debate & consideration on the pre-
mises it was concluded & voted to Divide the Towns Common Medows.
And then it was concluded & voted to Choose a Committee of nine meet persons to
make Report at the ajournment of this sd meeting in what method & manner
said Towns Common Medows shod be Divided.
and then also by vote were chosen Livtt John freeman Capt Samuel Smith William Paine Esqr
Capt Samuel Knowls Deacon John Rich Deacon Samuel freeman junr Mr
Samuel Doane Coll John Knowls and Jeremiah Mayo ware chosen by vote
to be said Committee. it was then also voted that John Paine and others
with him concerned therein shod have liberty to shut up sd lane by fence.
And then sd Meeting was ajourned to the last monday ~~of~~ this Instant march
to the sd middle meeting house in sd Eastham at ten of the clock fore noon
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

Vote to divide common land & meadows

Com. [illegible] to report
[illegible] of division

179 At a Town meeting in Eastham [illegible] [illegible] to chuse officers for the ensuing year as the law directs as also to to chuse Meet persons to take care of young persons from [illegible] playing the fool [illegible] in the Respective meeting houses in [illegible] Especially in the time of [illegible] [illegible] chuse persons to audit the [illegible] Treasurers accounts [illegible] [illegible] chosen moderator for sd meeting.

then made choyce of Joseph Doane for Town Clerk

then made choyce of Samuel [illegible] junr for Town Treasurer

then made choyce of Israel Cole Stephen [illegible] & Jonathan Doane for Town Assessors

then made choyce of Samuel Doane James Rogers & Capt Samuel Knowles for Selectmen

then made choyce of [illegible] Smith junr Jonathan Linel & John Young for Constables

then made choyce of Israel Mayo Samuel Doane junr & [illegible] for fence viewers

then made choyce of Samuel Higgins junr John Cole junr Thomas [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Thomas Higgins junr & Elisha Cole for Surveyors of ways

then made choyce of Joseph Rogers Samuel Smith junr & Israel Young for Tything men

then made choyce of William Paine Esqr Capt Samuel Knowles [illegible] Doane [illegible] Freeman junr & John Rich for [illegible] [illegible]

then made choyce of Jonathan Mayo Prince Collins & William [illegible] for Hog Reeves

then made choyce of Joseph Smith & [illegible] Young junr for Sealers of Leather 63

then made choyce of William Walker junr and Ebenezer Freeman Officers to [illegible] after the killing of Deer

then made choyce of John [illegible] [illegible] for Surveyors of Bords Clabbords &c

then made choyce for pound keepers Richard Paine & Jeremiah Mayo

then chose Nathaniel Doane James Rogers [illegible] Samuel Doane junr Edward Knowls [illegible] [illegible] Lucs & Joseph Young to take care [illegible] [illegible] young People [illegible] in the Respective meeting houses 25 the Sabbath Especially in the time of [illegible]
Entred [illegible] Doane Town Clerk

Also at the afores^d meeting voted [illegible] the Town [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and also chose [illegible] John Freeman and Israel Cole to audit sd [illegible] accompts
entred pr Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the [illegible] day of March 1741/2 warned to chuse Grand Jurie men for the year & Petit Jurie men for the next courts - Israel Cole moderator for sd meeting

then made choyce [illegible] Grand Jury [illegible] [illegible] Smith & Daniel Mayo

then made choyce of for Petit Jury men Nathaniel [illegible] Joseph Hamilton [illegible] [illegible] Samuel Brown entred [illegible] Doane Town Clerk

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At a Town meeting in Eastham the [illegible] day of April 17[illegible] warned to chouse two Grand jury men for the Court of Assize & General Goale delivery and four Petit Jurimen for the Court of Assize & Generall Goale Delivery to be holden at Barnstable in the County of Barnstable & Dukes County on the fourth Tuesday of this Instant then was chosen Israel Cole moderator for sd meeting.

then was chosen for Grand jury men for sd Court Israel Cole & [illegible] Knowls

and then was chosen Petit Jury men [illegible] Joseph Cole David Brown David Snow Joseph Pepper
entred Joseph Doane Town Clerk

Conditions of claim to share in undivided

Report of Com.

We the subscribers being [illegible] by the Town of Eastham [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] that seems to [illegible], we have [illegible] & propose as followeth, viz. That the [illegible] commons [illegible] in said Town [illegible] be granted [illegible] & divided as soon as conveniently may be [illegible] either single [illegible] to [illegible] as may appear most convenient [illegible], Excepting & reserving [illegible] as is hereafter proposed to be laid & Reserved for other uses & improvement;

and that there be [illegible] ~~four~~ equal shares granted & laid out for the [illegible] equal persons [illegible] one full or equal share to each & every man that was [illegible] and Esteemed as a proper & Regular Townsman in sd Town of Eastham [illegible] of [illegible] in said Eastham A.D. 1715 and that is now living and an Inhabitant of said Town, and also one full or equall share to each of the [illegible] Descendants of those that were proper & Regular Townsmen as aforesaid that are now Inhabitants of sd Town & [illegible] to the age of twenty one years [illegible] the time of making this grant, and also that there be a full & equal share granted & laid out to each other Inhabitant of sd Town that [illegible] in said Town at twenty two years [illegible] living in sd Town, and that there be [illegible] and equal share granted & laid out to each person that is [illegible] in this Town of Eastham & [illegible] of one that was a proper & Regular Townsman or of their Descendants that have [illegible] to the age of [illegible] years, and that in order to make a just & equall Division of the [illegible] there be a Committee of six judicious persons chosen [illegible] in sd Town [illegible] a survey of the [illegible] of sd commons [illegible] with all persons that have [illegible] adjoining to the above sd commons & [illegible] like [illegible] Division to the meadow already laid out [illegible] of sd Town & to make them all as equal as may be [illegible] reserve [illegible] Reserv'd.

Dated Eastham March 29 1742

Samuel Doane
John [illegible]
Samuel Knowles
Samuel Freeman jun
Samuell Smith
William [illegible]

Report accepted

At a Town Meeting in Eastham held at the Middle Meeting House in Eastham the 29th day of March 1742 by a journment from the first day of sd month [illegible] ~~the~~ [illegible] the Committee [illegible] Report it being a very full Town meeting the above Report being severall times audibley [illegible] Samuel Knowles [illegible] for the [illegible] the above ~~[illegible]~~ Committee's report [illegible] for the acceptance of the sd Report by Dividing the house

attest Joseph Doane Town Clerk

The above is truly Recorded as it was given in by the above Committee with what the Town then voted thereon
entred & Recorded by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

(59) [illegible] 1713 [illegible]

[illegible] Capt Samuel [illegible] a committee to take [illegible] the names of all persons [illegible] that sd Committee shall judge proper [illegible] ~~the next ajournment of this meeting~~ viz March 2d [illegible]

Then also at sd meeting [illegible] Stephen [illegible] Smith [illegible] Smith that the Committee [illegible] of them [illegible] as is [illegible] have lands or medows joyning to the common land or medow.

[illegible] six march [illegible] future [illegible] shears of medow in the Division ~~[illegible]~~ to be made appear & exam[illegible] [illegible] sd Division [illegible] Namskakit harbour & so notherly on the west [illegible] sd Eastham that such [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] to be kept up [illegible] till the [illegible] day of october [illegible] annually from time to time & at all times. entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

[illegible] such as joyn thereto. Then the above sd Town meeting [illegible] adjourned to [illegible] the 19th [illegible] clock [illegible] noone. [illegible] Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham at the adjournment [illegible] 1742 [illegible] Division [illegible] Capt Samuel [illegible] Dividing the common [illegible]

[illegible] Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 21 Day of June warned to chuse Petit Jurie men for next July Court James Rogers chosen moderator for sd meeting then was chosen for Petit Jurie men Israel Higgins & Thomas Knowls

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entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town Meeting [illegible] Eastham the 5th day of July 1742 warned to chuse Jury men for the [illegible] Superior Court of Judicature Court of Assize & General Goal Delivery then for [illegible] Jurie men made choyce of Benjamin Freeman & Theophilus Higgins for Grand Juriemen. & then also made choyce of Israel Cole Solomon Pepper = Ebenezer Freeman & David Brown for Jury of tryalls: Lieut John Freeman chosen moderator for sd meeting. Entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

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At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 2nd Day of August 1742 warned to Consider & act on the following perticulars [illegible] Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting then voted to Raise 40 pounds in bill of credit to defray the necessary charges arising in sd Town for the year current to be raised on the poles & estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Town then voted that the 2 Committees about the Common Medow [illegible] 2 Days apeice at 8s per day apeice to be drawn out of the Town Treasury and to alow out of sd Treasury to Capt Samuel Knowls 12s for so much he expended at Boston and the Billingsgat beach act and to alow Capt Samuel Smith 1 — 15 — 0 old tenor money for keeping [illegible] wife

Entred Joseph Doane Town clerk

Action preparatory to dividing Com. land & meadow

Vote to pay Comm'tee.

Lessees of Com[mon] Meadow

At a Townmeeting in Eastham the 2nd day of March 1741/2 warned to Consider
and do what is here after exprest Capt Samuel Knowls Chosen moderator
for sd meeting then made Choyce of Nathaniel Freeman junr & Samuel
Freeman junr a Committee to Reckon with the lesees of the Common medows
in Eastham for what Moneys they had Received & to make their Report at the
next Town meeting. then at sd Townmeeting Concluded & voated to Raise
fourty pounds lawfull money on the poles & estates of the Inhabitants of sd
Town of Eastham for the defraying the necessary charges arising in sd Town
the year Current then also voated that Samuel Freeman junr &
Ralph Smith & Joseph Doane be alowed out of the Towns Treshury eight shillings
each for one day by them spent in drawing a Petition to lay before the General
Court for abatement of sd Towns tax &c. then also voated that the sd Samuel
Freeman junr Ralph Smith & Joseph Doane be alowed eight shillings each for
one day by them spent in drawing a Petition to lay before the General Court about
Billingsgat Beach then voated that Capt Samuel Smith be alowed four pounds
and fifteen shillings in [illegible] for looking after Wilcuts wife in her distractions
then voated that Capt Samuel Knowls be alowed twelve shillings for money ex:
pended at Boston about the act for Billingsgat beach also then voated that the two
Committees about the Common Medows namely William Doane Esqr John Rich
Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel Freeman junr Capt Samuel Smith Samuel Doane
the Committee & be alowed apeece Capt Samll Knoles Samll Freeman junr & Capt Samuel Smith
the other Committee be alowed each eight shillings apeece for one day apeece they
spent in the sd service entred pr Joseph Doane Townclerk

8 s. Pay to Com[mittee]

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 11th day of August 1742 warned to Consider
and do what is here after exprest Capt Samuel Knowls chosen Moderator for sd meeting
then voated that the Town Treasurer next Townmeeting so far as he can whether any
thing or not be due from sd Town to the north precinct about the schoole
then voated that the Committee which proportioned the whole sd Town namely Capt
Samuel Knowls Samuel Freeman junr & John Rich shold be paid eight shillings a
peece for that days work. then also voated that James Mayo be paid twenty
shillings out of the Towns money provided & in case with the Rest of the lesees
of the common meadow in Eastham give up sd lease to sd Town & quit all claime there
to the next Town meeting. entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

40 s. Paid to give up lease

Instructions to Lessees how to mow common meadow

At a Townmeeting in Eastham the 17th day of August warned to Consider & do
what is here after exprest Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting
then [illegible] voated the following Instructions & Directions to the lesees of the
Common meadows lying in sd Eastham for the present [illegible] that
they the sd lesees shall not alow any man whatsoever to mow on sd
common meadows lying in sd Eastham untill five of the clock in the
morning on the 24th day of August instant & then no man shall be alowed
[illegible] more then one sithe or more then one mower in his ~~[illegible]~~
his right [illegible] quite [illegible] cut or cause to be cut any grass edge [illegible] in
any other persons ~~right~~ but his ~~own~~ except it appears he is [illegible]
[illegible] for the [illegible] of some of the Inhabitants of
sd Town of Eastham that have a right to cut on sd commons [illegible]
and whosoever cuts or improves contrary to these Instructions the sd lesees [illegible]
[illegible] prosecute them in the law & the ~~[illegible]~~ sd Town shall assist them in
prosecution & bear the charge & cost thereof and also that the sd lesees [illegible]
[illegible] or take of any man the three shillings or any money for liber:
ty [illegible]
[illegible] within three months or less if desired the Town [illegible] deliver [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Town Treasurer
attest Joseph Doane Town clerk

Bonds & notes

also at the same meeting voated that [illegible] [illegible] & Jabiz Snow jun^r [illegible] this year to [illegible] the little [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this year [illegible] to Cutt [illegible] on any of the other Commons.
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

also at the same meeting Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel freeman jun^r and Jabiz Snow chosen to be a Committe to settle the bounds between the common [illegible] and [illegible] of Coll John Knowls on the easterly end or side his land
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 12 day of october 1742 warned for to draw two Petit Jurie men of the court of General sessions of the Peace & Inferiour court of common Pleas to be holden at Barnstable for the county of Barnstable on the third Tuesday of this Instant Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting then was drawn out of the Box for sd Jurie men Edmond freeman Joseph May

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At a Town meeting In Eastham the 9th day of November 1742 warned for what is here after expressed Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting then it was concluded & voated that the sum voated to be Raised on the poles & estates of the Rateable Inhabitants of sd Town at a Town meeting on the second day of august last past for defraying the necessary charges arising in sd Town the year current that one half part there of shall be paid in to the Tresurer of sd Town on or before the last day of this Instant November & the other half part there of on or before the last day of April next Coming also then voated that Samuel freeman jun^r and Joseph Doane Esq^r shall be agents for & in behalf of sd Town to take up the leas and take a discharge of the leasses of sd leas & to give up the bonds & notes to sd leasses that they were obliged by to pay in to sd Town the sums there in expressed according to their accounts also then voated that the former committee is appointed to make up acc^ts with the leasses perticulerly to make up acc^ts with Thomas Mayo Relating to the Money he has Received as leasse & to make Report of their proseedings at the [illegible] Town meeting. entred & Recorded by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

Concerning Leases

Then also voated that the consideration of allowance for the leasses time and trouble be suspended till the leasses accounts be compleated.

Then also voated that the consideration of laying out the common meadow be suspended till further opertunity: also then voated that the consideration of those that demand a property in sd Towns commons by virtue of Town purchase also suspended to further opertunity entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

about Town purchases &c postponed

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65 At a Town meeting in Eastham the 3 day of January 1742/3 to draw 2 Petit Jurimen out of the box ~~of~~ for January court Instant
Chosen moderator for sd meeting Joseph Rogers
then was drawn out of the box for Jurimen Capt Samuel Brown
Daniel Smith
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

Com. to adjust claims of persons

At a Town Meeting in Eastham January 31: 1742/3 warned to act about severall things Namely to Issuing differencys about Claimers to lands &c Capt Samuel Knowls chosen Moderator for sd Meeting. then Made Choyce of William Paine Esqr Deacon Samuel Freeman & Mr Samuell Doane to be a committee to Rectifie the mater a bout lands that was exchanged with John Smith late Deceasd that was granted to him by way of exchange during his lifetime and to Retifie that Mater so as Richard Paine May be Reasonabley saved harmles & endamnifid about & concerning the land he bought of Jesse Smith on the Northerly side the gown cove that was part of a plaine lot laid out to Thomas Smith now deceasd which is challenged to be entitled land by the heirs of sd John Smith Deceasd. & also to Rectifie the land John Smith is concerned with that was laid out to him [illegible] and to make report of their doings at the next Town meeting ~~[illegible]~~ in order for Conformation.

entred ꝑ me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town Meeting In Eastham the 23 day of february 1742/3 warnd to choose 2 Grandjurien for the Ensuing year & 2 petit Jurie men for the court of tryalls at the next Inferier Court of common Pleas & court of Generall sessions of the Peace to be holden at Barnstable for the County of Barnstable on the third Tuesday of March next then Made Choyce of Capt Samuel Knowls for moderator for sd Meeting then chosen for grand Jurimen Solomon Pepper ~~& Isaac Pepper~~ Will walker junr and then drawn out of the box for Petit Juriemen

Theophilus Paine
& Isaac Pepper

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 14 day of March 1742/3 warned to choose all Town officers for the year ensuing then Made choyce of Capt Samuel Knowls Moderator for sd Meeting.

then at sd Meeting Joseph Doane was chosen Town Clerk

then Samuel Freeman was chosen Town Tresurer

then John Freeman Stephen Sparrow & Jonathan Doane were chosen Assesors

then Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel Doane and James Rogers were chosen selectmen

then Amos Knowls Ephraim Covell Thomas Deacon Jonathan Mayo Ebenezer Eldredg & Josiah Snow were chosen survayers of ways

then John Cole junr Prince Collens & Stephen King were chosen Tything men

then Nathaniel Mayo Daniell Smith & Daniel Mayo ware chosen fence viewers

then Robert young Willard Knowls & William Lewes were chosen constables

then chose for the grand Jurie men for the yr ensuing Capt Samuel Knowls Samuel Doane junr William Paine Esqr Samuel freeman and Theophilus Mayo

then chose for sealers of lether Joseph Smith & David young junr

then chose for survayers of shingles &c Samuel Higgins junr

then chose to look after killing of Deer John Walker & Ebenezer Freeman

then chose for Hogrieves Nathaniel Doane George Brown & Edward Knowles

then chose for pound keepers Richard Paine & Jeremiah Mayo

then chose to put in execution the law to prevent Creatures going on Billingsgat Barnabas young & Benjamin young

entred ꝑ Me Joseph Doane Town clerk

at a Town meting In Eastham the 14 day of March 1742/3 capt samuel Knowls moderator of sd meting then Joseph Doane Esqr William Paine Mr John Freeman capt samuel Knowls Coll John Knowls Leut Timothy cole Ensign sollomon Pepper & Mr David Doane ware by voate chosen a committee to lay a Petition before our capt Genll for a protection from Impresting.

Entred Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 14th day of March 1742/3 Legally warned partly to
consider & do what might be proper to be done Relating to the ordering disposing or granting
of the Common & undivided lands Medows & sedg ground in sd Eastham to whome of Right it =
doth belong Capt Samuel ~~Samuel~~ Knowles was then chosen moderator for sd Meeting and
then the Town at sd meeting entred upon the consideration of the premises being a very full =
Town meeting and then after deliberate consideration it was proposed for to chouse a =
Committee ~~[illegible]~~ to withdraw a little while & draw up such proposals Relating to the
premises as they should Judge proper for sd Town to comply with ~~[illegible]~~
and then it was voted to make choyce of a Committee for that purpose and accordingly
then was chosen for sd Committee William Paine Esqr Samuel Doane Samuel Freeman =
Capt Samuel Smith Lieut John Freeman & Silvanus Snow who were desired to withdraw for a
little time & draw up such proposals to lay before the Town as they should think proper
Relating to the premises & accordingly sd Committee withdrew a little while & then came in to sd
Meeting again & gave in under their hands their proposals and Report in the words following - proposed
by the Committee apointed for that purpose that a Committee be appointed to survay the
whole of the common & undivided upland & medow & sedge ground in the Town of Eastham
and also take an account of all the Inhabitants of sd Town that are the desendants of those
that were proper Towns men in the year 1694 and those that were Regulerly taken in afterwards
that are now arived to 21 years of age & to proportion & set off to the Inhabitants of the
three socities in sd Town according to the number of their Inhabitants quallified as above sd their
equal part of the abovesd Commonage both for quantity & quallity & that the Town
make a Grant thereof accordingly.

Com... to dividing the whole of ye common

William Paine
Samuel Doane
John Freeman
Samuel Smith
Silvanus Snow
Samuel Freeman

The abovesd Committies Return & Report at sd meeting
being severall times Red & considered was
then at sd Meeting unanimusly voated accepted.
which is accordingly truely Recorded & entred by me Joseph Doane Townclerk

Com appointed

Then also at ~~the~~ abovesd meeting the
Town then proseded & chose James Higgins
Jonathan Doane & capt Samuel Smith to be
a committee to survay sd Towns common
land medow & sedgground & further to act & accom-
plish as in sd above Report of the aforesd Committee
is express voated to be entred & Recorded as is accordingly
entred & Recorded by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

voted At the abovesd Town meeting that three of the negative men lay out to
Richard Paine so much of the Common medow or sedge ground in Eastham
as may be worth twenty pounds in old tenure in their Judgment and that
the same be Recorded to him his heirs & assignes for Ever, he sd Paine aquiting the
land & fence by the Notherly side the Town Cove he had of Jesse Smith that was
formerly laid out to Thomas Smith for part of a plain lot said to be entailed land
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 18 day of May 1743 warned to chuse a
Representative to serve the Town at the great & Generall Court to be held at Boston in
the [illegible] of this [illegible] Capt Samuel Knowls was then chosen Representative by
vote as the law directs   entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

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J. Young added to Com. to divide

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 10th day of May 1743 warned to consider and
do what is hereafter exprest Capt Saml Knowls chosen mode. aforesd meeting
then the Town at sd meeting made choyce of Capt Jonathan Young a Committee man
to Joyne with the Rest of the Committee to act & do what ye Committee was to act
about & concerning the undivided ~~land~~ [illegible] [illegible] & sedg ground in sd Eastham
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

Then also at sd meeting voated that Samuel Higgins shall be alowd twenty
shillings old tenure vallue for looking after the widow Martha Snow before & until
the time the select took care about her entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

Then also voted that William Paine Esqr & Mr John Freeman [illegible] [illegible]
the Town Tresurers acctts & make report at the next Town meeting.
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At the above sd meeting viz, the 16th day of May 1743 it was put to voate whether
the Town would [illegible] the way that leads from Richard Sparrows to the meeting house to be
shut up by fencing a cross by gates or bars and ~~the voate~~ there was no voate but in the negative
entred by me Joseph Doane town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 30 day of May 1743 warned to draw Petit Jurimen
[illegible] [illegible] box 4 jurie men to serve at the Inferier Court of common pleas to be held at Barnstable the last Tuesday of
June next James Rogers — chosen moderator for sd meeting then the tickets
were drawn out of the box for sd Juriemen & the names in the tickets drawn were
Samuel Doane Stephen Sparrow Richard Sparrow & Joseph Pepper
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting July 6th 1743 then drawn out of the box for Petit Jurymen
[illegible] for the superier court of Judicature John Rich David Doane
William Meyrick & Jonathan Higgins junr & then chosen for Grandjurymen
for the court of asize & Generall Gole delivery Samuel Freeman & nathaniel Mayo
Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 12th day of August 1743 warned for [illegible]
Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting, then
is here after exprest
67 voated to Raise the sum Eighty pounds old tenure vallue or in new tener equivilent on the
poles & the Rateable Inhabitants of the Town of Eastham to pay the Towns schole-
master & to defray the necessary charges arising within sd Town of Eastham for the year ensuing
one half there of to be paid in to the Town Tresurer on or before the last day of nov=
:ber next & the other half on or before the last day of april next coming.
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

Money paid by Lessees taken to pay Com. &c

~~At Town~~ meeting ~~[illegible]~~ above sd August 12 :1743
Then at sd meeting voated that the charge of the Committee proportioning the com:
and undivided medow & sedge ground in Eastham and the Town clerks Recording the grants
and giving out ~~the~~ copies ~~of the Grants~~ for the proprietors use be paid out of the money
paid into sd Town Tresurer by the former lesees for the improvement of the common undivided
medow & sedge ground in Eastham. and that the Remainder there of shal be to the sd Towns
use
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 12th day of August 1743 Capt Samuel Knowles chosen
Moderator for sd Meeting then voted that James Higgins one of the Committee that
proportioned the Towns common medow & sedge ground shall be paid out of the Towns
Tresurey of the money paid in by the lesees the sum in new tenure value —01—11—06
and that Capt Samuel Smith one of sd Committee be also paid out of
sd Money by sd Tresurer the sum in new tenure value of ——01—13—00
and that Jonathan Doane one of sd Committee be also paid out of
sd money by sd Tresurer the sum in new tenure value of ——01—11—06
and that the Town clerk be also paid out of sd money by the Town:
Tresurer for Recording the Grants of the Comon medow & sedge ground
and giving out Copies for the proprietors use as shall appear Right
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

Cay to Knowes to appear [illegible]

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at a town meeting in Eastham the 10th Day of october 1743 warned to draw tickets for petit Jurie men of the Inferier court of Common Pleas for the County of Barnstable the third tuesday of this Instant and then drawn out of the box for Jurimen Jonathan Smith and Barnabas young

Joseph Doane Town clerk

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at a town meating duly warned in Eastham ye :6: day of march 1748/9 to Chuse a town Clark and all ether town ofesors for ye insuing year and all so to consider and Do what may be thought proper with respect to the Broken Land in the middel part of the town and also to Consider and Do what may be thought proper with respect building a house to put the poor in that is mentained by ye town assemblead and met at the middle meating house in Eastham on sd Day Cornal Samuel Knowles beim Chosen modarater then maid Coys of Thomas Knowles town Clark for the insuing year

select men } John freeman
Jabez snow Jr
Zoath smith
Jonathan Done
Salaunas snow

Town tresur } Samuel freeman

Constables } Jabez sparrow
Israel Attwood
Ezekel harding

Tithingmen } Joseph hambelton
Joseph pepper
Elisha holbroks

survaers of ways } Joshua Knowles
John paine
Samuel higgins Jr
Cristen remick
Gorge Brown
Eleazar Atwood

fens vewers } Elezar freeman
Edward Knowles
Israel young

negative men Cornal John Knowls Soloman peper Deacon John freeman Decon Samuel freeman Edman freeman

survaers of bords and shengels Solomon pepper Joseph smeth Jr

selers of Leather David young Solomen Lues

Dear reave willeam walker

hog reafes John Cole Ebnezar snow william mirick Jr Samuel walker

pound ceepers richard paine Jaremiah mayo

voted that Captt Soloman pepper and theaplus heggens should state a Count with nathanel freeman tow tresure

voted hogs at Large

voted that Samuel [illegible] Esqr & Capt [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Law in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to

voted that the present [illegible] [illegible] the Law in [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by the [illegible] [illegible] till
the adjournment of this meeting
voted that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] chosen a Committee to view the [illegible]
land in the [illegible] part of the town and to make their
report at the next town meeting then this meeting adjournd
till the [illegible] of this instant [illegible] at [illegible] of the clock in the
[illegible] [illegible] at the [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
the [illegible] constable [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
pursuant to said adjournment the town met at [illegible]
place the moderator being not present [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] till the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] accept
then a vote was called by the [illegible] whether the town
would be [illegible] to put the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
of the town or not and it passed in the negative
it was also voted that the [illegible] by that was to view
the [illegible] land in the [illegible] part of the town [illegible]
[illegible] their report till [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
attest [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
at the said [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
of the town to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] report [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by the [illegible] [illegible]
69 to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] for the year past [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] that there is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the town
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
one shilling and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] report

attest [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

at a town meating in eastham lawfully warned and assembled and met at the north meating house in eastham on the 10 Day of march 1747/8 at two of the clock in the afternoon [illegible] there was notes given in the warning to chuse two grand jury men for the ensuing year and two pety jury men to serve on the jury at the next inferiour Court of [illegible] to be holden at barnstable on the 3 tuesday of march 1748 there was then chosen for grand jury men [illegible] and [illegible] higgens and there was drawn out of the box for pety jury men [illegible] and [illegible] Knowles
Entred pr thomas Knowles town clark

at a town meating in eastham lawfully warned and assembled at the middle meating house in sd Eastham on friday the 12 day of January 1747/8 at 1 of the clock in the afternoon there was notes given in ye warning to Chuse an agent to answer a Complaint made by [illegible] against the town at the next inferiour Cort at barnstable [illegible] there was then chosen for an agent [illegible] Lumbart [illegible] to answer to the above Complaint and there was then chosen [illegible] to [illegible]
Entred pr thomas Knowles town clark

at a town meating in eastham Lawfully warned and assembled at the middle meating house in sd eastham on tuesday the 13 of february 1749/50 at [illegible] of the clock in the afternoon there was notes given in ye warning to Chuse two grand jury men to serve for ye year ensuing and two pety jurymen to serve at the next inferiour Cort at barnstable Deacon samuel freeman [illegible] moderator for sd meating there was then chosen for grand jury samuel [illegible] and samuel [illegible] for ye year and for pety jury men [illegible] and [illegible] it was then voted that [illegible]
Entred pr thomas Knowles town Clark

march ye 24:1752: then mr Timothy Cole of Eastham under his
hand in righting informed me Thomas Knowles Town Clar of Eastham
that on the 19: Day of this instant he took up a small part of a
vesel and sum rigen and have tacen care of the same for the
ower if any there bee he paying all the nesesry Charges thare
upon it was taken up at a plase Called old stage in Eastham
Entred pr me Thomas Knowles Town Clark   Timothy Cole

march ye 23:1752 then Simeon Doane of Eastham under his hand in
righting informed me Thomas Knowles Town Clark of Eastham
that on the 20: Day of march instant we being at the plase called
sluts bush beach on the back sid in the town of Eastham and
we found come ashore in the surf one anker and two peases of
ankers and one Cable and a part of a Cable and sum peases of of
sailes and sum riggen and we have taken Care of them for
the ower if any bee thay paying the Charge   philip higgens
Simeon Doane
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

march ye 24:1752 then Solomon Doane of Eastham under his hand
in writen informed me Thomas Knowles Town Clark of Eastham that
on the 17 Day of this instant ~~he~~ took up on the beach Called nosset
beach in Eastham Three ~~bb~~ and a peace of a borel of tar and sum peases
of boards and a few small peases of a vesel and a small quanty of
of Grain and 4 Emty borels .   Solomon Doane
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

August 15:1754 then Jonathan Linel of Eastham
informed me from under his hand in righting to be
put on Record ~~that~~ as followeth Eastham August
15:1754 to the Clark of the town of Eastham these lines
are to inform you that I the [illegible] Cribar have on the
second Day of this instant August did find upon the
Back sid of our beach near the oald harber one boat
with one bl of pork and :2: little Casks of pickeld fish
69 and a small quantety of oald roaps in sd boat the Boat
being broke in 2 plases and allso one more borel of pork
a bout a mile from sd Boat and allso a small quantety
of hogsed hoops and Could not secure all the same by
Reson of the Boat being brok and surf on the Shore till
the twelvth Day of this instant August
Jonathan Linel

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clerk

at a Town meeting in Eastham the 12th day of March 1713 warned to [illegible] of the Town officers for the ensuing year as the law directs [illegible] be [illegible] out by the select men to be then [illegible] Capt Samuel Knowles chosen moderator for sd meeting. then proceeded to make choyce of Town officers for the ensuing year.

then made choyce of Joseph Doane for
- Town clerk for the ensuing year

then made choyce of Samuel Freeman for
- Town Treasurer ~~Joseph Doane [illegible] Samuel Freeman~~

then made choyce for Town assessors
- [illegible] Sparrow Nathaniel Freeman jur
and Richard Sparrow

then made choyce for select men
- Capt Samuel Knowls David Doane
and Nathaniel Mayo

then made choyce for surveyors of ways
- Nathaniel Mayo Samuel Higgins jur
Jeremiah Smith jur Benjamin Snow
Capt John Holbrook Israel Becker

then made choyce for Tythingmen
- Israel Mayo Samuel Doane junr
& William Cole junr

then made choyce for fence viewers
- William Twining Ebenezer Brown
Jeremiah Mayo

then made choyce for Constables
- Edmond Freeman Jonathan Doane
Samuel Smith

then made choyce for negative men
- Samuel Doane James Rogers
John Freeman Timothy Cole
and Samuel Freeman

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then made choyce for lether sealers
- Joseph Smith & David Young junr

then made choyce for surveyor of shingles
- clapbords &c Sollomon Pepper

then made choyce for Deer Reeves
- Ebenezer Freeman & Joseph Brown

then to see the law in execution Relating
- to Cretures going on Billingsgat beach
and ilands was chosen
Barnabas Young & Benjamin Young

then made choyce for hog Rieves
- Jonathan Doane [illegible]
[illegible] 3 [illegible] Joseph [illegible] Town

then made choyce of two pound keepers
- Richard Paine & Jeremiah Mayo

at a Town meeting in Eastham the 12 day of March 1713 warned to chose for Grand Jurie men for the year ensuing and to draw tickets for 2 petit Jurie men for the next court capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting.
then for Grand Juriemen was chosen Jonathan Mayo & Isaac Pepper

for 2 petit Jurie men Samuel [illegible] and William Twining drawn out of the box [illegible] Joseph Doane Town [illegible]

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 14th day of May 1744 warned to chuse Representative and to make alowance to Constables this present year for gathering in of Rates and to Raise the school [illegible] Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for said meeting. then made choyce of Capt Samuel Knowls for Representative.

then also voated that that the present Constables for this present year 1744 under the Consideration of the hard service in gathering in their Rates and taxes it is concluded and voated that the said Constables for this present year for gathering in all Province and Town Rates and taxes that sd Town shall be obliged to pay and said Constables obliged to gather in, said Constables shall be alowed out of sd Towns Tresurey fourpence on the pound in such old or new vallue as the said Rate or tax to them delivered to them to gather in shall express or set forth that is to say in old or new tenure, provided and on condition said Constables shall pay in and issue ~~their paying~~ and perfect his or their accompts of all and every such Rate or tax as shall be to them committed to collect and gather in, unto the Respective Tresurers they were by warrant to pay in the same unto within the term of nine months next after they by warrant for the same were obliged to do, that then such Constable or Constables so doing shall be entitled to said alowance or else not.

Then at sd meeting Mr Benjamin Webb just be alowed for his keeping school for sd Town one year next coming the sum of one hundred pounds in old tenure vallue he finding him self Diet washing and lodging.

then also at the above sd Town meeting viz: May 14th 1744 voated that James [illegible]is Esqr shall be paid out of the Towns Tresurey the sum of five pounds in old tenure vallue ~~for~~ due to him from sd Town for [illegible] by him [illegible]

then also voated that Thomas Mayo be paid out of the Towns Tresury fortie five [illegible] in old tenure vallue due to him.

Entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

At a Town meeting July 2: 1744. warnd to Chuse 4 petit Jury men & and 2 grand Jury men for the superier Court Court of assize and Genll Goale Delivery to be held at Barnstable for the Countys of Barnstable & Dukes county on the third Tuesday of this Instant — then drawed out of the box Liutt John Freeman Nathaniel Freeman junr Amos Knowls & Joshua Knowls for petit Juries.

Capt Samuel Knowls moderatorator for sd meeting.

then also made choyce of Nathaniel Doane & Stephen Sparrow for Grand Jurie men.

On the 29th day of June 1744 then Jonathan young & Ephraim Covel both of Eastham in writing under their hands Informed me the subscriber Town clerk of the Town of Eastham that they on the twenty fifth day of this Instant June 1744 on the seashoare near the Northward end of the [illegible] land in the Township of Eastham took up one cask of oyle supposed to be about fourty gallons and paid my fees as Town clerk for entring the same and accordingly is entred the 29th day of June 1744
by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the [illegible] day of July 1744 warned to [illegible] [illegible] to defray the charges of the sd Town this current year [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting then voted to [illegible] [illegible] more or old tenure vallue equivalent on the [illegible] Inhabitants of the Town of Eastham to defray the [illegible] [illegible] the year Current the one half thereof to be [illegible] [illegible] his [illegible] in that office [illegible] and the other half [illegible]
Entred & Recorded by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting In Eastham the 23rd day of July 1744 warned to make [illegible] person to serve as Constable for the Current year in [illegible] by Reason that Capt Samuel Smith who was chosen for precinct in Eastham [illegible] Refusing to serve in sd office. Lieut John Freeman [illegible] meeting and then at sd meet viz, July the [illegible] George Brown of the [illegible] in Eastham was chosen to the office of Constable he not being present [illegible] the first monday in August next to the middle meeting house in Eastham at two of the clock in the afternoon then & there to Receive said Browns answer.
Entred & Recorded Joseph Doane Town clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 9th day of October 1744 then the tickets drawn out of the box for Petit Jurie men for the next court of common pleas & Generall sessions of the Peace was Ebenezer Eldreg & Ebenezer attwood entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

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December 5th 1744 then the tickets drawn out of the box petit Jurie men for January Court Samuel higgins & John Smith entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

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At a Town meeting in Eastham the 5th day of march 1744/5 warned to chuse 2 men for Grand Juries for the year Insuing Deacon Samuel freeman chosen moderator
then was chosen for Grand Juries Jonathan young & John Cole jun^r.
then drawn out of the box for Petit Juries for the next court at Barnstable
Christian Remick & Theophilus higgins entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

Eastham December the 25th 1744 then John Smith & Samuel Smith junr both
of Eastham Informed Mr Joseph Doane Town Clerk of the Town of Eastham under their
hands in writing that yesterday the 24th ~~instant~~ & this day the 25th instant ~~they~~ the said
John Smith & Samuel Smith with others took up ~~on the s~~ on the west side of the Town of
Eastham which a shore Eleven barrels of flower the ~~oner~~ owner not known & have secured the same
and accordingly Inform you said Town Clerk there of as the Law directs.
and do also hereby Inform yo Joseph Doane Esqr the next Justice of the Peace there
of in order for apprizall.

John Smith
Samuel Smith junr

December 25: 1744 entred by me Joseph Doane
Town clerk

Eastham December the 25th 1744 then Hatsel Nickerson of Eastham Informed me
Joseph Doane Town clerk of Eastham under his hand in writing that on the 25th Instant he took up seven
barrels of flower in & on the sea shore in & on the west side of the Town Eastham & two other
barks the owner not known and ~~hath~~ secured the same and accordingly inform you
said Town clerk there of. and also Notifie you Joseph Doane one of his majestys
Justices of the Peace for said County of Barnstable being the next Justice in order to apprizement
there of.

Hatsel Nickerson

December 25th 1744 entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

December 26th 1744 then Thomas Knowls of Eastham under his hand in writing Informed me
Joseph Doane Town clerk of ~~the~~ Town of Eastham that on the 24th and 25th Instant he
with others took up on the sea shoare on the west side of the Town of Eastham twenty seven
barrels of flower & four broaken barrels ~~of flower~~ with flower not knowing who is the owner there of &
have secured the same and Inform you Joseph Doane as next Justice Peace to order apprizement there of.

Thomas Knowls

December 26 ~~25~~th 1744 entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.

December 26: 1744 We ~~Josp~~ William Merick & Joseph Smith junr both of Eastham
Inform you Joseph Doane Town clerk of the Town of Eastham that we with others
on the 24 & 25 of this Instant took up on the sea shore on the west side of the Town
of Eastham 25 barrels of flower partly broaken & also one long boate one mariners
compas & a pump not knowing the owner there of have secured the same & also inform
you Joseph Doane Esqr as Justice Peace to order apprizement there of as the law directs

William Merick
Joseph Smith junr

December 26: 1744 entred by me Joseph Doane:
Town clerk

December 26: 1744 then ~~We~~ Nathaniel Freeman ~~Esqr~~ Nathaniel Freeman junr Samuel Bale Seth
Knowls Ruben Merick all of the Town of Eastham ~~and partners~~ Inform you Joseph Doane
Town clerk of the Town of Eastham that we and partners on the 24th of this Instant on the sea
shore on the west side of the Town of Eastham took up 36 barrels of Damnified flower 5 firkins
of wet bred 2 empty cask one chest in which was a map ~~& other~~ writings 2 punch boles som
small som pullets & flints som erthen ware &c + and do also Inform you Joseph Doane as
Justice Peace to order apprizement there of as the law directs.

+ and three compises & one

Nath Freeman.
Nathll Freeman junr
Samll Bale, Ruben Merick

December 26: 1744 entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

December 29th 1744 then Steven Snow the third of that name of Eastham ~~under~~ his hand informed
me Joseph Doane Town clerk of the Town of Eastham that on the 24th & 25th of this Instant ~~that~~
he with others took up on the sea shore on the west side of the Town of Eastham 23 barrels of flower
2 broaken barrels with flower in them & have secured the same not knowing the owner there of
and do also hereby inform you Joseph Doane as Justice of the Peace to order apprizall there of
as the law directs

Stephen Snow the third

December the 26: 1744 entred by me Joseph Doane
Town clerk

on the 26th of December 1744 then Hezekiah Doane Esqr mr Samuel Freeman ware appointe & ſworn to
to make a juſt apprizement of the valine of the Rack goods taken up by John Smith Samuel =
Smith junr & others on the ſeaſhore on the weſt ſide of the Town of Eaſtham according to their
beſt Judgment.   by me Joſeph Doane Juſtice Peace
and accordingly have made their Returns under their hands.

on the 26th of December 1744 then Hezekiah Doane Esqr & mr Samuel Freeman ware appointed
ſworn to make a juſt apprizement of the vallue of the Rack goods taken up by Hatſel =
Nickaſon on the ſeaſhore on the weſt ſide of the Town of Eaſtham according to their beſt
judgment   by me Joſeph Doane Juſtice Peace. and accordingly have mad
their Returns under their hands

on the 26 of December 1744 then Hezekiah Doane Esqr and mr Samuel Freeman
ware appointed & ſworn to make a juſt apprizement of the vallue of the Rack goods
taken up by Thomas Knowls & others on the ſeaſhore on the weſt ſide of the Town of
Eaſtham according to their beſt Judgment   by me Joſeph Doane Juſtice Peace
and accordingly have made their Returns

on the 26th of December 1744 then Hezekiah Doane Esqr & mr Samuel Freeman ware appointed
and ſworn to make a juſt apprizement of the vallue of the Rack goods taken up by
William Meyrick & Joſeph Smith & others with them on the ſeaſhore on the weſt ſide
of the Town of Eaſtham according to their beſt judgment: by me Joſeph Doane
Juſtice Peace
and accordingly have made their Returns.

on the 26th of December 1744 then mr John Freeman & mr Theophilas Higgins
ware appointed & ſworn to make a juſt apprizement of the vallue of the Rack goods taken up by
Samuel Bake Seth Knowles Ruben Meyrick & others in company on the ſeaſhore on the
weſt ſide of the Town of Eaſtham according to their beſt Judgment.
by me Joſeph Doane Juſtice Peace
and accordingly have made their
Return

on the 31 day of December 1744 then Hezekiah Doane Esqr & mr Samuel Freeman
ware appointed & ſworn to make a juſt apprizement of the vallue of the Rack goods
taken up by Stephen Snow the third of Eaſtham with other in company on the ſeaſhore on the
72 weſt ſide of the Town of Eaſtham according to their beſt judgment
by me Joſeph Doane Juſtice Peace
and accordingly have made
their Returns.

At a Town meting in Eastham on ye 12th day of march 1744/5 warned to make Choise of all town offisers for the insuing yeare as the Law directs and for sd Town to resceive the report of the Selectmen of said Towns laying out sevverall wais in said town. Joseph Smith Chosen moderator for said meting and then proseaded and made choise of Nathaniel ffreeman jur for town Clerk for the insuing year

then made choise of Samuel ffreeman for town treasurer

then made Choice of Thomas Knowls Joshua Higgens junior and Jeremiah mayo for select men

then made Choice of Robart young Richard Sparrow and Jabez Snow jur for town assessors

then made Choice of Juda Rogers William walker and Joshua Hamblen for Constables

then made Choice of Samuel Higgens jur Israel mayo and Joseph mayo Joshua naine and James Cohine and william lues for Surveiors of wais

then made Choice of Beniamine Higgens and Stephen Snow ye 3d and John treat for tithingman

then made Choice of Nathanel mayo and Jonathan Smith for fence vewers

and allso then made Choice of Daid Doane Cristian Remeck John Rich and Samuel Smith for fence vewers

then made Choice of Jonathan Smith Jonathan Higgens Samuel freeman David Doane and Samuel Smith hegetive men

then made Choice of David young jur for lather sealer

then made choice of Solomon pepper for Surveyor of bords and Shingles

then made Choice of Ebenezer ffreeman for dear rieves

then made Choice of Barnabas young to put the Law in Execution relating to Creturs going on bilensgate beach

then made Choice of Israel mayo James Smith and David Vickery for hog rieves

then made Choice of Richard paine and Jeremyah mayo for pound keeper

Entred by me Nathanll ffreeman jur Town Clerk

at the same metin above on the 12th day march 1744/5 then reseivd the report of the select mens laying out a way which is as followeth

A way laid out in the Town of Eastham along by the range of the land Called Smiths purchase (viz) begining at the Roade that goes from Eastham to Chatham by the rang of sd Smiths purchaise so running westward by said range on the towns lands where the lots laid out by the Town of Eastham are not bounded home to sd Smiths puchase Range until it coms even or a brest with Nathanel Snows dwelling house

Dated Eastham march 2d 1744/5

Samuel Knowls } Select
Nathaniel mayo } men

A vote was Caled and pass in the negetive

allso then the petition of the widdow martha Atkins of Eastham that the Town would pleas to for give har seling rhum so far as thay were Concernd ~~which petition~~ was red and voted to granted
entred by me Nathanll ffreeman jur Town
Clerk

At a town meting in Eastham ye 13th day of may 1745 warned to make Choise of a suitable person for a select man for sd town for the curant year in the room or sted of Jeremiah mayo who was chose at the last annual march meting and since refuse to serve Colonel John Knowls being then chosen moderator for sd meting then made choise of deacon John Rich for a select man to serve in the room of Jeremiah mayo the insuing year
Entred by me Nathanll freeman jur town Clerk

at a Town meting in Eastham the 20th day of may 1744
warned to Chose a representative to serve for and represent said Town at the great and ge-
neral Cort
at Boston ~~[illegible]~~ and also for said ~~[illegible]~~ Town to consider and to what might be thought proper to
be don respecting the town school then chose Deacon Samuel freeman moderator for sd
meting then the Town made choise of Capt Samuel Knowls to represent the Town at the
grate and General Cort at Boston then allso voted to chuse a committe to consider
and draw up sumthing as thay shall think proper in order to setling the ~~[illegible]~~ school
in sd Town and for sd committe to give in their report to sd town at the next adjorn-
ment of sd meting the Town then made choise of William paine Esqr jonathan Doane and
Capt Samuel Smith for sd committe then sd meting by a vote called for by the moderator
was adjorned to the middle meting house in Eastham on monday the 3d day of june next
at thre of the clock in the after noon
Entred by me Nathanll freeman jur Town Clerk

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at the above adjurnment on the 3d day of june william paine Esqr
and Capt Samuel Smith made report to sd town relating to setling
the school which was red and considered then the moderator called
for a vote whither the town would Except of sd report
and thare was novote but in negative
pr Nathanll freeman jur Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eastham on monday the 3d day of june 1744
warned to draw tickets for fower petit jury men to serve at the
inferior Cort of Common pleas to be holden at barnstable the last
tuesday in june instant. then drawn out of the box for petit jury men
for sd Cort Silvenus Snow moses Byxbe wilard Knowls and Barnabas
Twining. Entred by me Nathanll freeman jur Town Clerk

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ye 17th day of july 1744
at a Town meting on monday [illegible] jurymen to serve
warned to Chuse a grand jury man and [illegible] petit jurymen
at the next superior Cort Cort of assise and general goale delivery
to be holden [illegible] for the County of Barnstable and Dukes County
william paine esqr being chosen moderator
on the [illegible] tuesday of this instant [illegible]
73 [illegible] Knowls [illegible] drawn out of the box for jur-
iors Beniamine Higgins Solomon [illegible]
[illegible] entred by me Nathanll freeman jur Town Clerk

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warned to raise money to defray the
at a Town meting august ye 12th 1744
Town charges and allso to do what thay should think proper in respect of the ministeriall
wood lot at the middle part of the Town joseph Doane Esqr being chosen mode-
rator for sd meting then concluded and voated to raise the sum of one hundred and
and eighty pounds oldtenor for the ends and uses above sd and that the assessors
for sd Town forthwith make a rate on the poles and ~~[illegible]~~ estates of the ratable
in habitants of sd Town and deliver the list or lists of such rate to the Constables of sd town for
them to collect and pay in the same to the Town treasurer or his sukcesor the one half
thereof on or before the last day of November next and the other half thereof on or before the
last day of april next to be paid out as the law directs for the use above sd
Entred pr Nathanll freeman jur Town Clerk

at a Town meting in Eaſtham on monday the twelvth day of agust 1745 then voated that Capt Samuel Knowls and deacon Samuel ffreeman be a Committe to vew the mineſterial wood lot in the midle part of the Town and to make report to the Town at the next Town meting

Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman jur Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eaſtham on monday ye 30th day of September 1745 warned to Chuse two pettit jury men to ſerue at the next inferior Cort of Common pleas to beholden at barnſtable Joseph Doane Esquier Chosen moderator for ſd meting then drawn out of the box for pettit juriors Joshua Higgens jur and Nathaniel Atwood

Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman jur Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eaſtham on monday ye thirtyeth day of September 1745 warned to Chuse a ſutable person to ſerue for a Constable in the rome of Judah Rogers who refused to ſerue being removed out of Town Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator then made choce of moses Higgens for ſd Constable and he refused to ſerue

allſo at the ſame meting made choice of Jonathan Higgens jur for Conſtable in the rome of Judah Rogers

Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman jur Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eaſtham on monday ye 13th day of January 1745/6 warned to Elect two good and lawful men to ſerue on the pettit jury at the next inferior Cort of Common pleas to beholden at Barnſtable Jabez Snow jr Chosen moderator for ſd meting then was drawn out of the Box for for pettit juriors for ſd Cort Samuel ffreeman and Daniel mayo

Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman jur Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eaſtham march ye 12th 1745/6 warned to Chuse two men to ſerue as granjuriors for the year in ſuing Decon John ffreeman Chosen moderator for ſd meting then chose for gran juriors Samuel Doane jur and Samuel Higgens jur and allso at the above meting was drawn out of the box for pettit juriors ~~for~~ for the next inferior cort to be holden at barnſtable Capt Samuel Smith and Joshua Hambler at a Town meting in Eastham on ye 12th day of march 1745/6 warned to make Choise of all Town officers for the in suing year as the Law directs: and also to do what might be thought propper for alowing the Constables for the year past for gathering the Town Rate and also to do what might be thought propper relating to setling the School in sd Town John freeman being Chosen moderator for sd meting and then made Choise of Nathanll freeman jur for Town Clerk

then Chose for Select men	John Rich Thomas Knowls Joshua Higgens jur
then chose for Town treasurer	Samuel freeman
then Chose for Town assesors	Richard Sparrow Jonathan Doan Robart young
then chose for Constables	Israel mayo Theophilus Higgens Ebenezer Eldrig
then chose for survaiors of wais	Samuel Higgens jur Joshua Hopkins Elisha Higgens Solomon Doane william Luis Benjamin Sweat
then chose Tithing men	Elisha Cole Nathan young Simeon Done
then chose for fence vewers	Jonathan Smith John young Nathanll Atwod
then Chose for Nagetive men	Colnt John Knowls Capt Samuel Knowls Israel Cole Samuell Doane Jamis Rogers
then Chose for Survaior of bords and Shingles	Solomon pepper
then Chose Lather Sealer	David young
then chose Dear rieve	Jaremiah Smith
then chose Hog rieves	Georg Brown Elisha young jur Edward Knowls
then Chose pound keepers	Richard paine Jaremiah mayo
then Chose to put the Law in pracktice relating to cretures goin on Billins gate beach	Beniamin young

also at the above meting march ye 12th 1745/6 the Town voated that If the Constables for the year past shall payin the whole Town rate unto Samuel freeman Town treasurer or his sucksessor and makeup with sd freeman or his sucksessor on or before the first day of January next that then thay shall be paid out of the Town treasury fower pence on the pound in the same tenor as thay shall payin

also at the above meting appointed John freeman and Thomas Knowls to adjust accompts and make up with Samuel freeman Town treasurer

also at the above meting made Choice of Samuel freeman amos Knowls and Silvenos Snow a Committe to Con sider and drawup somthing in order to setling the School in sd town and to make report to the next town meting

Entred by me Nathanll freeman jur Town Clerk at a Town meting in Eastham on the 14th day of may 1746 warned to Chuse a represhentative to represent sd Town at a grate and generall Cort to be held at Boston on the 28: of this instant may and also for sd Town to appoint som sutable persons to draw a petision for thier Representative to Lay before his Excellencie for protection to ~~protect the~~ inhabitance from being im prest and also to do what might be thout proper for the rectifeing a mistake a bout a wood lot intended for the use of the minestry in the midle part of the Town Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator for sd meting then the Town made Chose Capt Samuel Knowls for their Representative and also made Choise of capt Samuel Knowls to draw a petition and to Lay it before his Excellency in order for a pro[illegible]tion and also at the above sd meting voated that forty pounds old tenor vallu be ordered out of the Towns treasury and put in to the hands of Deacon Samuel Freeman to purches so much wood land in Eastham for the use of the minestry in the midle ~~[illegible]~~ part of the Town of Eastham and kept for that use to make up an intended wood lot there but not to be improved by ~~the~~ the minester or minestors so long as the precinct finds such minister or ministers their fire wood and that the sd Samuel Freeman is also ~~[illegible]~~ by sd Town fully impowred to take a deed of such said wood land for the use of the ministry for ever in the midle part of sd Town Entred by me Nathanll Freeman jur Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eastham on ye 18th day of june 1746 warned to draw tickets for fower good and Lawful men to serue on the pettit jury at the next inferior Cort to be holden at barnstable Joseph Doane Esqr being Chosen moderator for sd meting ~~[illegible]~~ then sd meting was adjurned to Esqr Joseph Doanes house and there was drawn out of the Box for pettit jurirs for sd cort according to law John Tailor Joseph Smith jur John Harding and James Cahoon

at a Town meting in Eastham on ye 7th day of july 1746 warned to Chuse six good and lawfull men two where of to serue on the grand jury and fower on the jury of trials at the next superior Cort of judicature Cort of assise and general goal delivery to be holden at Barnstable on the third tues day of july instant and Joseph Doane Esqr being Chosen moderator for sd meting the Town then made Choise of Robert young and Joshua Knowls for grand jurirs and there was then drawn out of the box for pettit jurirs as the law directs Thomas Knowls Jonathan Sparrow Jabez Snow jur and Richard Sparrow Entred by me Nathanll Freeman jur Town Clerk at a Town meting in Eastham august of 4th 1746 warned to raise money to defray Town Charges for the insuing year Jonathan Deane chosen moderator for sd meting then concluded and voated to raise the sum of two hundred and forty pounds ol tenor the one half of sd sum of two hundred and forty pounds to be paid in to mr Samuel Freeman Town treasurer or his sucsesor on or before the last day of November ~~next~~ and the other half thare of on or before the last day of april next to be paid out as the Law directs for the uses above sd

Entred by me Nathanll Freeman jur Town Clerk

at the a bove sd meting the Committe appointed by the Town to auduit a compts with mr Samuel Freeman Town Treasurer gave in thire report Which was as followeth
we the subscribers being appointed by the Town of Eastham to auduit a compts with mr Samuel Freeman Town Treasurer for the time past sence the last balance have accordingly this forth day of june 1746 Examined said acompts and find them well vouched and right cast and we find sd Treasurer hath paid out Eighty Eight pounds nine shillings and sixpence old tenor more then he hath received in from the several Constables. and we find out standing in the several Constables hands one hundred and Eighty nine pounds ten shillings and five pence old tenor

John Freeman

Entred by me Nathanll Freeman jur Town Clerk Thomas Knowls

Whereas God in soverain providence hath taken a way by death the Reverend mr Webb pastor of the north church in the south precinct in Eastham and we look on our selves obliged to take sutable care for the supplying that vacancy as sone as may be suteablely don. and there being a precinct meting orderly warned and met at the ~~north~~ meting house in the south precinct in Eastham on wednesday ye 27th day of august anno domini 1746 and notice given in and by sd warning that it was to make choyce of ~~som~~ sutable person or persons to seek out for som person to com to us in order for the supplying the vacancy made and to preach Gods word to us as a probationer in order for a settlement in the work of the ministry. and Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator for sd meting the precinct then made choyce of Deacon Samuel Freeman to seek out for som sutable person to supply sd vacancy and to preach Gods word to us as a bove sd

Entred pr Nathanll Freeman jur precinct Clerk

75 and also notice being given in and by the above sd warrant to consider and do what further for the releaf and support of the bereaved mrs Webb and then at the a bove sd meting (viz) on wednesday ye 27th day of august 1746 the precinct then voated to alow and give to the bereaved ~~said~~ mrs Webb thirty pounds old tenor for her support for one year from the date here of and also then voated that the sd mrs Webb shall have the improvement of the first wood that was to be provided for the minister in that place the year curant provided she sd mrs Webb will bear the minister that

coms to preach here in his stead for reasonable pay and also
the late sd mr webb to have the improvement of the minesterial meadow
and the menisterial land allready cleared until the last day of July next.
the sd mrs webb finding pastering for sd minesters hors that coms to preach
here. sd term   Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman jur precinct clerk

also voted at the above sd meting that mr Samuel Doane should
procure sd fire wood as he was to have done if mr webb had lived
Entred by me Nathanll ffreeman jur precinct Clerk

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at a Town meting ~~[illegible]~~ in Eastham
october the 14th 1746 warned to chuse two good and Lawfull
men to serve on the pettit jury at the next interior Cort to beholden
at barnstable John ffreeman being chosen moderator for sd meting
thare was then drawn out of the box for pettit juriors
for sd Cort Henry young and Beiamin Higgens the 3d
Entred pr me Nathanll ffreeman jur Town Clerk

at a town meting in Eastham on the thirteenth day of January 1746/7
warned to Elect two good and Lawfull men of sd Town to serve
on the pettit jury for trials at the next interior cort to beholden
at barnstable Robart young being chosen moderator for sd meting
thare was then drawn out ~~of the~~ box for pettit juriors
for sd Cort as the law directs Simeon Doane and Samuell Harding
Entred pr Nathanall ffreeman jur Town clerk

~~at a Town meting in Eastham on yᵉ 9th day of march 1746/7~~
~~being orderly warned and met at the [illegible] meting house in sd Town~~
~~[illegible] Deacon Samuel ffreeman being chose moderator for sd meting the Town~~
~~then made choice of Nathaniel ffreeman jur for Town clerk~~

at a Town meting in Eastham on yᵉ 9th day of March 1746/7 warned to
chuse Town Clerk and all other Town ofisers as the Law directs there
was also notice given in and by sd warning that it was ~~[illegible]~~
for sd Town to do what thay shold think proper in respect of petitioning
to the general Cort for an act to oblige the proprietors to fence Norcet beach
and the medow and land adjoyning and also for an act for impounding any
neat cattle or hors kind that shall be found on sd Beach and also to do
what may be thought proper in making som alowance to the constables for
the year past: Deacon Samuel ffreeman being chosen moderator for sd meting
the Town then made choyce of Nathaniel ffreeman jur for Town Clerk

and thare was then chose } Thomas Knowls
for select men for sd } Joshua Higgens jur
Town } and John Rich

and for Town } Stephen Sparrow
assessors — } Richard Sparrow
} and Jonathan Doane

and there was then chose } Deacon
for Town Treasurer — } Samuel ffreeman

then chose for Constables } Thomas Snow
David Brown
Benjamin Sweat

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then chose for Tithing men } Elisha young
Samuel Brown
Daniel Smith

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then chose for Surveiors of ways } Samuel Higgins
David Higgens
Joshua Knowls
Soloman Doane
Isaac Baker
Daniel Mayo

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then chose for fence vewers } Jonathan Smith
Samuel Horton
Joseph Atkins

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then chose for nagetive men } Joseph Doane Esqr
John ffreeman
Israel Cole
David Doane
Samuel Doane

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then chose for Surveior of bords and Shingles } Soloman Pepper

then chose for lather Sealer } David young

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then chose Dear reve } Ebenezer ffreeman

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then chose for Hog reives } Joseph young
Georg Brown
Barnabas Twining

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then chose pound kepers } Richard paine
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then chose to put the law in pratice relating to creturs going at larg on Billensgate Beach
Capt Samuel Smith

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Deacon John ffreeman and Deacon Thomas Knowls were appointed by sd Town to auditate accompts with Deacon Samuel ffreeman Town treasurer

and thaire was then a voate called for by the moderator to know whether the Town would chuse a committe to draw a petition to lay before great and General Court as they shal think propper for the ends and uses above sd and sd voate passed in the affermetive and thaire was then chose for sd committe by voate of sd Town: Joseph Doane Esqr mr Samuel Doane Deacon Samuel ffreeman and mr David Doane

also at the afore sd meting march ye 9th 1746/7 it was voated by sd Town that if the constables for the year past shall pay in the whole of their several soms set to them to gather in by the assesors as a Town rate into Decon Samuel ffreeman Town treasurer or his suksesor and shall makeup with sd ffreeman or his sukcessor by the first day of january next that then thay shall be alowed and paid out of the Town treasury fower pence on the pound in the same tenor as thay shall pay in to sd treasurer

and at the same meting Deacon John ffreeman and Deacon Thomas Knowls were appointed to audiati acompts with the treasurer

and then sd meting was adjurned to monday next the 16th day of this instant at one o clock in the after noon at the middle meting house in Eastham to know whither the sd Thomas snow and David Brown which were chosen Constables would Except or refuse: and pursuant to sd adjurnment the Town being assembled at time and place and the sd Thomas snow and David Brown were present and made their ple that thay were not quallified for which reason and saueral others thay were Excused and the Town then made choyce of prince Colings for constable in the midle part of sd Town and also then made choyce of Joseph Hammillton for Consta=ble in the South part of sd Town

Entred by me Nathanll ffreman Jr Town Clerk

At a Town meting in Eastham on monday ye 16th day of march at six o clock in the afternone warned by the constable to chuse two men to serue on the grandjury the year insuing Deacon Samuel ffreeman being chosen moderator for sd meting the Town then made choyce of Eliezer ffreman and Joseph Sparrow for grandjuriors

Recorded by me Nathanll ffreman Jr Town Clerk

at a Town meting in Eastham on tuesday ye 24th day of march 1746/7 and thare was notice given in the warning of sd meting that it was to se whither the Town would Except Simeon Doane for constable in the rome of prince colings. or chuse another and the Town se cause not to accept sd Simeon Doane. but proceded and chose prince Colings for constable for this year insuing who was present and accepted. and thare was also notice given in and by sd warning that it was for sd Town to consider and do what might be thought propper to bee don in respect of the broken land that lies betwen Mr Samuel ffreemans and nathanael atwoods and after som discorce on the premises it was thought proper by som to chuse two men to haue inspection ouer sd broken land and to driue of or impound all sheep found going at larg on sd broken land and thare was then a voate called by the moderator to know whither thay would chuse two men to driue of or impound sd sheep as a boue sd which pased in the affermatiue and thare was then chosen ~~[illegible]~~ for that seruice John ffreeman Jur and Nathanael Sparow

Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman Jr Town Clerk

At a Town meting in Eastham on friday the 14th day of may 1747 warned to chuse a representatiue. and thare was also notice given in and by sd warning that it was to do what should thought propper for the preser=vation of the broken land in the midle part of sd Town and Col Samuel Knowls being chosen moderator for sd meting. It was thought propper by som to chuse a Committe to veiw ye broken land and discorse with the owners thereof and to make report at the next Town meting that shall be warned in ye town to raise money as thay shall think propper relating to the premises and thare was then a voat called for by the moderator to know whither would chuse a committe for the ends an uses a bove sd which pased in the affermative and thare was then chosen for sd committe deacon John freeman mr Samuel Doane and mr Stephen Sparrow: thare was also then a voate cald by the moderator to know whither the Town would chuse a number of men to impound all such sheep as thay shall find goin at larg on sd broken land which pased in the affermative and theire was then chosen by voate of sd Town deacon Samuel freeman capt Jabez Snow Left Wiland Knowls Jams Smith and Joshua Knowls to impound sd sheep as a bove sd

Entred by me Nathanll freeman jur Town Clerk

At a Town meting in Eastham upon the 19th day of June 1747 warned to elect fower good and lawfull men to serve on the petit jury for trials at the next inferior Court to be holden at Barnstable and thare was then Elected for sd juriors David young Elisha young Barnabas young and Elisha Higgens

Entred by me Nathanll freeman jr Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eastham on ye 29th day of june 1747 warned to chuse six good and lawful men two where of to serve on the grand jury and fower on the jury of trials at the next superior Cort to be holden at Barnstable on the third tuesday of july next and Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator for sd meting thare was then chosen Jams Higgens and Joseph pepper to serve as grand jurors at sd Court and deacon John Rich and mr Isaac Higgens Ensn John freeman and Nathanll freeman jur to serve on the petit jury at sd Court Entred by me Nathanll freeman jr Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eastham on the 27th day of july 1747 warned to chuse a select man in the rome of deacon John rich deceased the inhabitants of sd Town being met at time and place made choyce of mr David Doane for moderator for sd meting and thare was then chosen by sd Town Samuel Doane jur select man to serve in the rome of deacon John Rich deceased

Entred by me Nathanll freeman jr Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eastham on the 5th day of august 1747 orderly warned and met and notice being given in and by sd warning that [illegible] to raise money ~~to raise money~~ to defray all Town charges for the insuing year and also to chuse a Town assessor in the rome of Stephen Sparrow who is about to remove out of Town and John freeman being chosen moderator for sd meting it was then concluded and voated to raise on the poles and Estates of the [illegible] inhabitants of sd Town two hundred and forty pounds old tenor the one half of sd two hundred and forty pounds to be paid in to mr Samuel freeman Town treasurer or his sucsessor on or before the last day of november next and the other half on or before the last day of aprill next to be paid out of the Town treasury for the uses above sd and thare was then chosen Theophilus paine for Town assessor in the rome of Stephen Sparrow Entred by me Nathanll freeman jr Town Clerk

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We the Subscribers being appointed by the Town of Eastham to audit a compts with mr Samuell ffreeman Town Treasurer have accordingly this first day of July anno Domini 1747 Examined Sd acompts and find them well voucht and Right cast and we find Sd Treasurer hath paid out Eight pounds one penney old tennor more then he has re=ceaved in of the several constables and we find out standing in the several Constables hands one hundred and seven pounds and three pence old tenor

John ffreeman
Thomas Knowls

the above was voted accepted
Entred by me Nathanll ffreeman Jur Town Clerk

We the Subscribers being chosen agents by the Town of Harwich and the Town of Eastham to agree on Sd Towns behalf how and where the inhabitants of Each of Sd Towns should be assessed for the real Estate which any of Sd inhabitants own and are possest of not lying in Either of Sd Towns which they live in or are an inhabitant of: we have accordingly Considered said affair with the Circumstaces and quality there of and have mutually agreed that the Town of Harwich shall for the future assess all the inhabitants of Sd Town for all the Reall Estate thay own and posses lying in the Town ship of Sd Eastham and also thay shall asses all the Estate of Joshua Higgens and Judah Rogers that lies in the Town ship of Harwich and that the Town of Eastham shall assess all the inhabitants of the Town of Eastham Except Sd Joshua Higgens and said Judah Rogers for all the real Estate Sd inhabitants own and posses in the Town ship of Harwich, this agreement to continue forever here after Except Either of the Sd Towns should give notice to the other Town fower months be fore making an assesment that they will no longer abide by Sd agreement In witness where of wee have here unto set ower hands this fifteenth day of Septbr 1743

William Paine
Stephen Sparrow
William ffreeman
Jabez Snow

Truly Entred from a Script given to me with these names Subscribed
Nathanll ffreeman Jur Town Clerk

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at a Town meting on ye 30th day of September 1747 legally warned and notice being given in and by Sd warning that it was to chuse two good and Lawfull men to serve on the pettit Jury at the next inferior cort to be holden at Barnstable and there was then chosen as the Law directs Ebenezer Snow and David Higgens to serve on the pettit jury at Sd cort

Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman Jur Town Clerk

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at a Town meting in Eastham on ye 13th day of Januar 1747/8 legally warned and notice being given in and by Sd warning that it was to chuse two good and lawfull men to serve on the pettit Jury for trialls at the next Court of General Sessions of the peace and at the next inferior Court of common pleas to be holden at Barnstable on the third tuesday of January instant there was then chosen as the Law directs Joseph [illegible] and [illegible] to serve as petit jurors at Sd court

Entred pr Nathll ffreeman Jur Town Clerk at a Town meting in Eaſtham on ye 13th day of January 1747/8 Legally warned and notice being given in and by ſd warning that it was to do what might be thought propper in alowing those that had the ſmall pox the charg or that mr Samuel Bate and thomas Holbroks and som others Demanded of them and the in habitants of ſd Town being aſsembled and Col Samuel Knowls being Chosen moderator for ſd meting and it was then voated by ſd inhabitants that fifty pounds old tenor duly be raisd on on the ratable Eſtates of the ratable inhabitants of the Town of Eaſtham and paid in to the ſelect men of ſd Town or their ſucceſsors and by them paid out to those persons of ſd Town that by reſon of the Late ſmall pox are be com ſo pore as not to be able to pay the charg of their one or their Relations attendance and charg of ſiknes of ſd diſtemper. ſaid money to be paid out according to the judgment of ſd ſelet men in pro portion to Each ons neſeſsity. or that ſd money or ſum be paid out of the Town treaſury if thare be money in or may cominly what is in ye Town alrady raiſed to comeinto ſd treaſury the mony to be paid out deſcreſionally namely to Thakful Atwod widdow Beiamin Lumbert Debora Bacon widow David Vickery and mary ſnow widow according to Each ones neceſsary ſurcumſtances Entred by me Nathanll ffreeman jur Town Clerk

~~at a Town meting in Eaſtham in ye 8th [illegible] march 1747/8 [illegible] the freeholders and other inhabitants of ſd Town duly qualified aſsembled at the midle meting house in ſd Town and [illegible] ſd meting~~

at a meting of the freeholders and other in habitants of the Town of Eaſtham duly quallified and Lawfully warned in publick Town meting aſsembled at the midle meting house in ſd Eaſtham on tues day the 8th march 1747/8 and notice being given in and by ſd warning that it was to Chuſe a Town Clerk Town treaſurer ſelect men and all other Town offiſers for the in ſuing year and alſo to ſe what ſhould be thout propper in alowing the ſeverall Conſtables in Eaſtham for gathering in the rates in the year 1747. and allſo to do what ſhould be thought propper in alowing ſheep going at Larg in the Town of Eaſtham — and Joseph Doane Eſqr being Choſen moderator for ſd meting. Nathanll ffreeman jr was then Choſen Town Clerk and ~~ſd Nathanll ffreema~~ jr was ~~allſo Choſen Town~~ treaſurer

Choſen ſelect men	capt Samuel Smith Amos Knowls Jonathan Smith
Choſen Town aſseſsors	John ffreeman Jonathan Higgins John Doane
Choſen Conſtables 78	Thomas Snow Simeon Doane Georg Ward
Choſen [illegible] men	Nathanll mayo william walker Eliſha Holbroks
Choſen ſurvaiors of [illegible]	william Twining [illegible] Joſhua Hamblin
Choſen fence vewers	Joſeph Sparrow Joſeph mayo Joſeph young
Choſen negetive men	Col John Knowls Col Samuel Knowls Joh ffreeman Timothy Cole Samuel Doane
ſurvaier of bords	capt Solomon pepper
Lather ſealers	David young william Luit
hog reaves	John Cole John Smith Georg Brown
pound keepers	Richard paine Jeremiah mayo

william [illegible] was choſen [illegible]

[illegible] breath of the Law directs. it was allſo voated that [illegible] for the year 1747 ſhall ſpay in the [illegible]

is allowed and paid out of the Town treasure four pence on the pound in the same
manner as they shall pay in to sd treasurer —— ——

there was sum discours relating to sheeps going at large but that was dismist with
out Coming to a vote — Entred pr Nathanll freeman sd Town Clerk —

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at a Town meting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Eastham
duly quallified and lawfully warned in publick Town meting assembled at the midle
meting house in sd Eastham on tues day ye 8th day of march 1747 and notice being given
in and by sd warning that it was to chuse two good and lawfull men of sd Town to serve
on the grand jury at the cort of General sessions of the peace to be holden at barnstable
on the third tues day of march instant and at the several corts of General sessions
of the peace suckssesively to be holden there for one year and two men a like
quallified to serve on the pettit jury for trialls at said court of common pleas
to be holden at barnstable afore sd on the third tues day of march instant
and John freeman being chosen moderator for sd meting there was then chosen for
sd grand jurors to serve as above said Jonathan Rogers jur and Ebenezer Atwood
and there was then chosen or drawn to serve on the pettit jury as above said
Nathanll Mayo and Jeremiah mayo Entred pr Nathanll freeman sd Town Clerk

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at a Town meting of the free holders and other inhabitants of of the Town
of Eastham duly quallified and lawfully warned in publick Town meting assem-
bled at the middle meting house in sd Eastham on monday the 16th day of may 1748
and Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator for sd meting Col Samuel Knowles was
chosen to represent the Town at a great and general court to be holden at Boston
on the 25th day of may instant also then chose Theophilus paine and Joseph
Smith jur to make a compts with deacon Samuel freeman Town Treasurer also then
voted that thay that had the small pox at Billingsgate pay the charg of their tendance that remains
besides what the Town has all redy paid also voted that Eliezer atwood administ-
or the Estate of Richard Cook deseased and pay the charg of his sikness in the small
pox and his funeral charges and if there be not Estate anough to pay sd charg
~~[illegible] Entred pr Nathanll freeman sd Town Clerk~~
the Town to pay what it falls short it was sited in the warning to call
the above sd meting that it was to chuse a representative and to chuse two
men to make up accompts with the Town treasurer and also to do what shall
be thought propper for ordering the billingsgate people paying the charg of their
sikness and tendance in time of the small pox and also to do what might be
thought propper about the charg of Richard Cook deceased who died of the small pox

Entred pr Nathanll freeman sd Town Clerk

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at a Town meting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Eastham
duly quallified and lawfully warned in publick Town meting assembled at the middle
meting house in sd Eastham on monday ye 16th of may 1748 and notice being given
in and by sd warning that it was to chuse a man to serve on the grand ~~grand~~ jury in
the rome of Ebenezer atwood who was released and fower men duly quallified
according to law to serve on the petit jury for trialls ~~at the next inferior court to~~
at the next inferior cort to be holden at barnstable on the last tues day of june next
and Jabez Snow junr being chosen moderator for for sd meting ~~[illegible]~~ was chosen
for sd grand jurimen and Samuel Horton Jonathan Higgins jur Stephen Snow and
Joseph Sparrow was chosen for petit jurors for sd court Nathanll freeman sd Town Clerk

at a Town meting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the town of Eastham duly qualified and lawfully warned in publick Town meting assembled at the middle meting house in sd Eastham on monday the [illegible] day of may 1748 and Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator for sd meting it was then complained by som person that there was more taverns in Eastham then was [illegible] full and that they thought it would be propper to lay apetition before the next inferior cort at Barnstable to lessen ~~then~~ the taverns in sd Town and there was then a voat calld by the moderator whither the select men as agents for sd town namely Samuel Smith amos Knowls and Jonathan Smith should draw a petition to lay before sd court to lessen the taverns in sd town as abovesd and the voat past in the affermative Entred pr Nathanll Freeman Town Clerk

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at a meting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of Town of Eastham duly qualified and lawfully warned in publick Town meting assembled at the South meting house in sd Eastham on monday the 4th day of July 1748 and notice being given in and by sd warning that it was to chuse six good and lawfull men of sd town two where of to serve on the grand jury and fower on the jury of trials at the next superior Court to be holden at Barnstable on the third tues day of july instant and Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator for sd meting there was then chose for sd grand jurors Joshua Higgens junr and Theophilus paine and for sd jury of trials capt Elisha Doane capt Zoheth Smith Joshua Freeman and Jonathan Doane Entred pr Nathanll Freeman Town Clerk

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At a meting of the freeholders and other in habitants of the Town of Eastham duly qualified and lawfully warned in publick Town meting assembled at the middle meting hose in Eastham on monday ye 22d day of august 1748 and it was sited in the notification or warning for sd meting that it was to raise money on the poles and Estates of the ratable inhabitants of sd Town to pay the Town School master and for the support of the pore and such other necessary charges as shall arise in sd Town and Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator for sd meting it was then concluded and voated to raise on the poles and Estates of the ratable inhabitants of sd Town fower hundred and fifty pounds old tenor for the uses a bovesd. at the above sd meting august ye 22d 1748 it being sited in the warning to call ye meting to chuse a committe to draw a petition to lay before the grait and General Court relating to the select and [illegible] [illegible] of our Towne and Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator for [illegible] Col Samuel Knowles was chosen to draw apetition as a bove sd and to lay it before sd court also then voate that the Town would be at the cost of a committe to [illegible] ye Towne if it could not be obtaind with out also then voate that the committe [illegible] should be paid out of the Town Treasury Entred by me Nathanll Freeman Town Clerk

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at a meting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Eaſtham Duly qualified and lawfully warnd in publick Town meting aſſembled at the midle meting House in Eaſtham on monday ye 9th daye of January 1748/9 and notice was given in and by ſd warning that it was to Conſider and do what might be thought proper to be don with reſpect to the payment of the men mr Bate and cpt pepper that tended the famelies that was viſeted with the ſmall pox in the precinct of Billenſgate whither the former ſelect men ſhall ſtop their propotion that was Determined for them to pay. out of the province rate that the ſelect men were ordered by the General Court to diſtrebute to the perſons that was viſeted with that diſtemer or whither the preſent ſelect men ſhall pay them out of the Town Treaſury and Deacon ſamuel ffreeman being choſen moderator for ſd meting ~~it was~~ then concluded and voted that if any of the perſons viſeted with the ſmall pox in ſd precinct ſhould refuse to pay their reſpetive ſums Determined for them to pay for tendance that then the above ſd ſelect men ſhould keep back ſomuch of the province mony that thay ware ordered to diſtrebute to them. in order to pay to thoſe to whome it is du for tending

Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman jur Town clerk

at a town mealing in Eastham Lawfully warned and held at the midel mealing hous in eastham on munday the 15 day of may 1749 at one of the clock in the after noon and there was notes given in sd warning to chuse a representative to represent the town in the grate and generel Cort and all so to abat the pols that was in the kings servis and allso to receive the commetys report relating to the broken land in the midel part of the town and all so to do what may be proper as to prosecuting the men chosen by the town to see the act kept in forse relaity to Billinsget beach and to chose others in that servis and allso to do what may be proper in stopping the lane that gos down prince colings down to the great meado by gates or bars and allso to make a lowance to the former constables for there colecting the town and province rate and allso to do what may be proper to obtain some abatment of the province tax in sd town by petison or agent or other wise.

[illegible]
[illegible] Constables [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] pound [illegible]
[illegible] for the [illegible] than they are [illegible]
[illegible] whether the [illegible] of those that [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] by
the [illegible]

at the above sd meeting the [illegible]
relating to the [illegible] Law in the [illegible] part of [illegible]
[illegible] it was voted [illegible] to put the [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible] all the [illegible]
[illegible] to the [illegible] Law in the [illegible]
in [illegible] gates or bars and that [illegible]
[illegible] his [illegible] that encloses any land [illegible]
sd [illegible] Law as [illegible] as possible [illegible] so [illegible]
shall hill or brake up any of sd land [illegible]
[illegible] of sd [illegible] that [illegible]
[illegible] be [illegible] to [illegible]
of april to the last of [illegible] yearly and that [illegible]
[illegible] yearly and [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible]

at the above sd meeting it was voted that [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]
to se the Law put in execution relating to [illegible]
and at the above sd meeting voted that [illegible]
should be Dismist from taking care [illegible]
and at the above sd meeting was voted that [illegible]
[illegible] should be [illegible]
that [illegible] to se the Law put in execution [illegible]
to [illegible]
at the above sd meeting it was [illegible]
the [illegible]
[illegible]

and at the above sd meating it was voted that the sd [illegible]
forme constables should have three pence on the pound for collect
80 ing thare town rarght committed to them to colelt if
sd Constables pay in and mak up with the Town treasurer
on or before the fifteenth of January next
at the above sd meating it was Dismist consarning sending a petision
to git the prouinc Law [illegible] Dismist
Entred pr Thomas [illegible] Clerk

at the a fore sd meating in may the 15: 1749 the select men brought in thare report as folloeth

Eastham may ye 9: 1749 we the subscribers this Day met by thar order for the perambulation of the line and to renew the marks and bounds between the town of Eastham and Harwich and proseeded as folloeth viz: begining at a swamp wood tree marked and a stone by sd tree near the head of great namscaket meddow thence north westerly down to the crick which [illegible] into the sea [illegible] & thence before named thence westerly over to a stone marked F. H at the head of a branch that runs into the [illegible] pond a little to the westward of samuel [illegible] dwelling house thence down as the canel runs out of sd pond into the sea at [illegible] harbour

John Freeman
Jabez Snow Jr } select men of Eastham

Entred pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

John Snow
willm freeman } select men of harwich or one apointed by the select men

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at a town meeting in Eastham Lawfully warned and held at the middel meating house in Eastham on thursday the 8: Day of June 1749 at one of the Clock in the after noon and thare was notes given in sd warning to chuse 4 men for pety jury men to serve on the pety jury at the next inferiour Court of Common pleas to be holden at Barnstable on the Last tusday instant Joseph Doane Esqr being chosen moderator thare was then chosen for pety jury men william mirick Theophilus pain Israel Cole and Thomas Knowles Entred pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

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may ye 5: 1749 at a town meating held chose of william walker for moderator and chose for grand jury Jonathan Doane John Smith Simeon Doane for pety jury men chose of william walker Joshua higgens and Joseph [illegible] william Knowles Joshua higgens was chose for clark for sd meating on the 5th of July 1749 then parsonly appeared befor me the subscriber the above named Joshua higins and gave oath to the a bove writen and that he would give a true report to the town clark of what was dun at the a bove town meating sworn before me Thomas Knowles Justice peac the a bove writen is a true and truly transcribed from the original report brought to me

pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

At a town meating Lawfully warned in Eastham and held
at the middle meating house in Eastham on friday the [illegible]th
of August 1749 at one of the Clock in the after noon there was
notes given in so warning to raise money to pay the scool
matter and for the suport of the poor and other nesesary char
ges arising in so [illegible] and allso to do what may be proper
as to a saiting the regist of nathanel walker late Deceast
and all so to resive the acount of the widow marther Atkens
as to her charg and trouble in the time of the small pox
Cornal samuel Knowles Chosen moderater for s^d meating
it was then voated that the County raight should be paid
out of the town treas there was then voated ~~that~~
to raise twelve hundred pounds old tener to Defray the
town Charges it was then voated to take of nathanel
walkers Diseses raight it was then voated that the
widdo marther Atkens should have five pounds old tener
for her trouble and charg in the time of the small pox in
Bilinsgate entred for Thomas Knowles Town Clerk

at a town meating in Eastham at the South meating house in Eastham
on tuesday the [illegible] of Septemb 1749 at [illegible] of the Clock in the after noon
there was notes in so warning to chuse 2 men to serve on pety jury at the
inferior Cort of Common pleas to be holden at Barnstable on the [illegible] tuesday
of october next Cap John freeman Chosen moderater for s^d meating
there was then Chosen for pety jury men Amos Knowles and Samuel [illegible]
Recorded for Thomas Knowles Town Clerk

at a town meating in Eastham at the middle meating house
in Eastham on monday the first day of January 1749/50 at
[illegible] of the Clock in the after noon there was notes given in so
warning to chuse 2 men for to sarve for pety jury men
to serve at the next inferiour Court of Comon pleas to be
holden at Barnstable on the third tusday of January
Capt [illegible] [illegible] was Chosen moderater for s^d meating
there was then Chosen for pety jury men [illegible] [illegible]
and [illegible] [illegible] Recorded for Thomas Knowles town Clerk

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the [illegible] meating house in [illegible] on the twelfth day of march 1749 50 there was voted [illegible] to chuse a town clerk constables select men and all other town officers as the law requires for the insuing year and allso to chuse a committy to draw a petition and send into the general court a petition to enable us by an act to secure and ~~[illegible]~~ preserve the pond [illegible] in the middle part of the town according to the report of the committy that was excepted by the town and to consider [illegible] what the town shall think proper about stoping the way between the land of [illegible] and [illegible] snow [illegible] likewise to chuse an agent to answer a complaint that moses [illegible] against the town [illegible] being chosen moderator at s^d meating the next [illegible] chosen town clerk

town treasurer	[illegible] freeman
[illegible]	John young Samuel doane jr Samuel snow
Constables	Josiah [illegible] [illegible] Simeon [illegible]
tithing men	John [illegible] Joseph [illegible] [illegible] mayo
surveyers of ways	Ebenezer [illegible] William [illegible] [illegible] young
fence viewers	Jonathan smith John smith Ephraim Covel
[illegible] men	Samuel [illegible] Samuel freeman Beniamin Snow Samuel Knowles Timothy Cole
surveyers of boards and shingels	Solomon [illegible] Edward Knowles
[illegible]	Josiah [illegible] [illegible] smith Solomon [illegible]
[illegible]	William [illegible] [illegible] freeman
hog reafs	Isaac Snow nathanel [illegible] Samuel smith 3
pound keepers	Jeremiah mayo Richard prince

at the s^d [illegible] meating it was voated that Ebnezar higgens and Thomas knowles should be a committy to answer a petion put into the general court by James higgens and others for liberty to [illegible] and [illegible] and horses from feeding on the [illegible] propriety [illegible] and [illegible] ground with out making any fence then a vote was called by the moderator [illegible] a petishon should be given to lay before the general court whether the way should be stopt [illegible] leads to the [illegible] in the middle part of the town [illegible] and [illegible] in the [illegible]

select men { Zoheth smith
[illegible] [illegible]
Joshua Knowles

to put the law in execution relating to [illegible] on beach { Samuel Smith Esqr
Benjamin young

to put the law in execution relating to [illegible] [illegible] { samuel [illegible]

at the afore said meeting a vote was called by the moderator whather the Lawe should be stop't + [illegible] the Lawe of [illegible] and the Lawe of [illegible] and it passed in the negative

at the a fore said meeting the town maid Choyse of Ebenezer Higgens for an agent to answer a complaint made [illegible] against the town at Barnstable [illegible]
Recorded per Thomas Knowles Town Clerk

on may ye 17:1750 the select men brought in thair report to be put on record and it is as followeth on the fifteenth of may 1750 we the subscribers having met by appointment did then renew the range of line between the Town of Eastham and the town of Truro by new marking the trees from the [illegible] [illegible] to the East sea per us Joshua Knowles { select men of Eastham
Zoheth smith

Jonathan paine { select men of Truro
Zachues Rich

at a town meeting in Eastham may:17:1750 thare was notes [illegible] [illegible] a representative to represent the town in a great and general Court at Boston thare was [illegible] [illegible] for representative Samuel Knowles Esqr then Samuel Knowles Chosen moderator [illegible] at the said meeting thare was notes given to do what might be proper consarning the [illegible] and to do something that [illegible] [illegible] thought proper [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of John paine last [illegible] and to consider [illegible] whether his [illegible] should be [illegible] [illegible] it was then [illegible] [illegible] was then [illegible] that the [illegible] Constable [illegible] that is in his possession [illegible] [illegible]
32 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Recorded per Thomas Knowles Town Clerk

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the midel meating hous in Eastham on minday the 4 of June 175
at one of the clock in the after noon there was notes in sd warning to renew the box for pety Jury men Deacon John freeman Chosen moderator for sd meating
there was then a cimmety Chosen namely Edman freeman Seth Smith and Ebenezer higgens to sort the names of the men which into the supior box and which into the infior box which comitty so did then it was voated by the town
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the midel meating hous in Eastham on minday 18 of June 1750 at 2 of the clock in the after noon it was to to Chuse 4 pety Jury men there was then drawn out of the box for pety Jury men for the infior Court at Barnstable the last tusday in June namely Ebenezar Eldredg Joseph pepper Isaac higgens Jr Joseph perse Entred pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the midel meating hous in Eastham on minday the 18 of June 1750 at 3 of the clock in the after noon there was notes in sd warning to Chuse 7 men three for grand Jury men and 4 for pety Jury men to serve at the next supior Cort at Barnstable Thomas Knowles Chosen moderator for sd meating there was then chosen for grand Jury men namely william walker Joshua Knowles and Samuel Doane Jr —
and there was drawn out of the box for pety Jury men Edward Knowles Timothy Coale John Doane and John paine.
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the midle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 13 of August 1750 at one of the clock in the after noon there was notes in sd warning to raise money to pay the scoolmaster and other nesesary charges arising in sd town as also to do what may be proper in abating Each Constable for gathering the town raight the last year and also to consider further what may be proper to be don relaiting to the mistake maid in richard paines raight Samuel Knowles Esqr Chosen moderator for sd meating

It was then voted to raise hundred and teen pounds lawful
money the one half to be paid in by the last of november next
and the other half by the last of Apriel next voted that the
County rait be drawen out of the Town treasury and the
assesors not to mak a county raight voted that the seural
Constables shall have three pence on the pound for collect-
ing the Town raight the year past if sd Constables pay in
and mak up with the Town tresurer by the last of Desember
next voted that the following paper should be tendred ~~[illegible]~~
before two sutable witneses to Isreal Atwood former Constable
by one or more of the assesors which paper is as followeth Mr
Isreal Atwood Constable or Collector of the Town of Eastham
for the year 1747 whereas the assesors of the town of Eastham
in making the province rate that was delivered to you to
collect have maid a mistak in Richard paines province rate
insted of seting down nine shillings and two pence which would
to have been right according to the state bill and Coppy but they
have set down nine pounds two shillings which is wrong and
whereas Mr paine has made application to the assesors for
relef the town at a town meeting voted for that purpose
the town maid Choys of Mr Thomas Snow and Samuel Knowles
two of the present assesors to rectify that mistake but you refusing
to let us to it tho often requested of you we therfore as the present
assesers of the town of Eastham forbid you gathering any more of
richard paine for his province rate than two pounds nineteen
shillings and nine pence one farthing which is his just ~~[illegible]~~
proportion according to the State bill and Coppy and if your rate is
two little without that then the town has order the assesors to
rectifie and make it good it was then voted that the town should
pay all the [illegible] charg arising by richard paines being over rated

Recorded per Thomas Knowles Town Clark

at a town meeting lawfully warned and held at
the meeting house in Eastham on munday the
first of october 1750 at two of the clock in the after-
noon there was voted in warning to chuse 2 good and
lawful men to serve on the pety jurys at the next
inferior Cort to be holden at barnstable on the third
tuesday of october instant
there was then drawen out of the box for pety jury
men namely Julien Rich and David Brown

Recorded per Thomas Knowles Town Clerk

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the South meating house in Eastham on munday the 31 day of decembor 1750 thare was notified in [illegible] warning to chuse 2 pety Jerymen to Sarve on the pety Jury at the next inferiour Court to be holden at barnstable on the 2 tusday of Janawary next thare was then drawn out of the box for pety Jury men Edward Knowles and Jonathan Cole and [illegible] that the town Jurymen should [illegible] at the severel inferiour courts til the month of febuary next
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

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at a town meating in Eastham lawfully warned and held at the midle meating house in sd Eastham on munday the 11 day of march 1750 at ten of the Clock in the fore noon thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse 2 grandjury men for the insuing year and 2 pety Jury men to Sarve at the next inferiour Cort to be holden at Barnstable Joseph Doane Esqr Chosen moderator for sd meating thare was then chosen for grand Jury men Ebenezer Attwood Jur and Samuel Cole and for pety Jury men Joseph Smith Jur and Solomon Cole Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

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at a town meating in Eastham lawfully warned and held at the midle meating house in sd Eastham on munday the 11 of march 1750/51 at teen of the Clock in the fore noon thare was notes in sd warning to chuse a town Clark select men assesers and all other town oficers for the insuing year as the law directs and also if it shal be thought propper to grant liberty to deacon samuel freeman Jonathan smith samuel smith and others who are the proprietors of the broken land in the midle part of the town to stop up the way that leads from the Comon road near nathaniel Attwoods towards James smiths and the way that leads from nathaniel atwoods throw the broken land to the cross ways near deacon samuel freemans and the way from sd freemans to nathaniel Bacons by convenant gates or bars for preventing the destruction of sd lands and grant liberty to stop the way by gates or bars that leads from prince Colingses southerly to [illegible] Joseph Doane Esqr Chosen moderator for sd meating thare was then Chosen for

Town Clark } Thomas Knowles

for Select men { Jonath smith
Samuel freeman
Joshua Knowles

for assesers { samuel freeman Jur
Jonath smith
Thomas Snow

town tresurer { samuel freeman

Constables { [illegible]
Daniel Cole
Joseph Atkins

at the above sd meating voted that the ways ~~in~~ should be stopt by gates or bars that leads from nathaniels Attwoods to James smiths and the way that leads from nathaniel atwoods throw the broken land to ~~[illegible]~~ the cross path near Deacon samuel freemans and the way from sd freemans to nathaniel Bacons

[illegible] tiding men	[illegible] Cole James Linkerine joseph [illegible]
surveyers of ways	Jonathan smith Ebnezar higgins David Brown jr samuel higgens jr
fens viewers	william myrick Ebnezar [illegible]
surveyers of boards and shingels	[illegible]
[illegible]	David young joseph smith Solomon [illegible]
Dear reafs	william walker Ebnezar freeman
hog reafs	Beniamin hamblin Jesse Brown samuel snow Beniamin Cole
[illegible] kepers	Richard paine Jeremiah mayo
to put the law in execution relaiting to [illegible]	[illegible] smith
to put the law in execution relaiting to [illegible] beach	John Doane

voted that the way should be stopt by gates from [illegible] s to the land of the laine where Mr John [illegible] formerly lived

voted that Deacon John freeman and Jonathan Doane should be the men to make up a counts with Deacon samuel freeman Town Treasure

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the midel meating hous [illegible] on the 11 of march at three of the clock in the after noon thare was voted in sd warning to chuse a representitive in the room of samuel Knowles Esqr Deseast nathaniel freeman chosen moderater for sd meating then the moderater Called a vote whether they would chuse a representitive or not and passed in the afermitive then maid choise of Deacon John freeman to represent the town in the grate and Jenerel Court in the room of samuel Knowles Esqr Deseast

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the midle meating house in Eastham on munday the [illegible] day of may 1751 at 2 of the clock in the afternoon there was notes in so warning to chuse a representative to serve in the grate and general Court they then maid choyse of Deacon John freeman to represent the town in the grate and general court for the ensuing year Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clerk

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the midle meating house in Eastham on wednesday the 12 day of June 1751 at one of the Clock in the afternoon there was notes in so warning to Chuse one grand Jury man to serve in the room of Ebenezer Atwood and also 4 pety Jury men to serve at the next infear Court at Barnstable Mr nathaniel freeman Chosen moderator for sd meating then maid Choyse of Isaac Higgens Jr for grand Jury man for the ~~ensuing~~ present year and for pety Jury men to serve at the next infear Court to be holden at Barnstable John mayo Solomon Doane Jobe Crocker and Jonathan Linet Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the midle meating house in Eastham on wednesday the 12 day of June 1751 at 2 of the Clock in the afternoon there was notes in so warning to Chuse a town treasure in the room and stead of Deacon samuel freeman Disseased. Mr nathaniel freeman Chosen moderator for so meating then maid Choyse of samuel Doane Jr for town tresure for this present year then voated that Jonathan mayo Jr rate should be abated for this present year by reason of his misfortune at sea
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the midle meating hous in Eastham on thursday the 27 of June 1752 there was notes in so warning to Chuse 3 grand Jury men and four pety Jurymen for the next inferior Court to be holden at Barnstable Deacon John freeman Chosen moderator for so meating then maid Choyse of grand Jury men Joseph Smith Joshua Higgens Jr and Joshua Knowles and pety Jury men [illegible] Smith [illegible] William [illegible] and Joseph [illegible] Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clerk

at a town meeting lawfully warned and held at the
middle meeting house in Eastham on mun day the: 12: day of
August 1791 at 3 of the Clock in the after noone thare was voted
at s^d meeting to agree on what sum of money to raise
to defray the necessary charges of the town for the insu
ing year and also to consider what to alow the last years
constable for gathering the taxes and likewise to consider
whether the town will vote that thare shall be a way
established running from the way that leads from [illegible]
[illegible] to the [illegible]
across the southerly part of the [illegible] that lays
northerly and southerly and whare they goyn to those that
lay easterly and westerly whare two of the Committy whe
are still [illegible] they determined and left land
for an open Cart way Deacon John Freeman Chosen mod
erator for s^d meeting then voted to raise one hundred
and five pounds lawful money one half to be paid in
to the town treasurer
by the last of December next and the other half by the
last of April next then voted the several Constables
should have three pence on the pound for collecting the
town rate the last year if s^d Constables pay in and settle
up with the town treasurer on or before the last of Decem^r
next voted that the County rate should be paid
out of the town treasury for this year then thare was
a vote called whether the town would a low the
way to be as mentioned or not and it was it passed
in the negative Recorded pr [illegible] Town Clerk

at a town meating Lawfully ~~held~~ warned and held at the South meating hous in Eastham on munday the 13: Day of January 1752 at 2 of the clock in the afternoone thare was notes in sd warning to Chouse 2 pety Jury men to serve at the next inferior Court at Barnstable on the 3 tusday of this instant January
thare was then drawn out of the Box for pety Jury men samuel Doty and Joshua Rich
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on tuesday the 10 day of march 1752 at 8 clock thare was notes in sd warning to Chouse 2 grand Jury men for the present year and 2 pety Jury men for this instant march Court Deacon John Doane was Chosen moderator for sd meating thare was then Chosen for grand Jury men Job Crocker and Thomas higgens Jr and pety Jury men Eleazer atwood and Daniel mayo Jr
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clark

Noted [illegible]

at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on tusday the 10 Day of march 1752 at 9 of the Clock in the fore noon Capt Joseph Snow Chosen moderator for sd meating thare was notes in sd warning to Chouse a town Clark town treasurer select men and all other town ofesers for this present year and also to Chuse a County treasurer and also to Consider what may be thought proper with respect of seson and County quarter sessions and alleso to vote a way from the Cuntrey road down to the grate meadow harbor as it is laid out by the select men thare was then Chosen for town ofesers

town Clark	Thomas Knowles
town Treasurer	samuel Doane Jr
select men	James higgens Ebenezer higgens Heath smith
town assessors	Thomas Snow Jonathan Doane Heath smith
Constables sd Thomas snow Chosen of grand Jury person [illegible]	Joseph Sparrow Joseph pepper Joseph hopkins
tithing men	samuel Doty prince Cole solomon Lues
surveyors of ways	Thomas Knowles samuel Snow Ezekel hardin
fence viewers	Israel mayo nathanael atwood Daniel mayo
surveyors of boards and shingels	samuel Cole Edward Knowles Joseph Atkens
Leather sealers	Josiah Snow Joseph smith solomon Lues
[illegible]	william walker Ebenezer freeman
hog reeves	Benjamin Cole Jonathan Doane Israel atwood James freeman David wicker george Brown
pound keepers	Richard paine Joseph Atkens

to Keep the Law in } Simion Smith
for Clingot beach }

to keep the [illegible] } Joseph mayo
monset beach }

at the a bove sd meating maid choys of mr nathaniel freeman agent to petission to keep the courts then maid choys of nathaniel freeman and Jonathan Deane to make up a counte with samuel Doane sener treasurer then voated for County ~~[illegible]~~ treasurer then voated that [illegible] pay rates [illegible] to Ezekel harding [illegible] then this meating adjurned for two owrs for the select men to bring in there report of the way laid out of [illegible] Deane to the great meadow hauler then the a bove sd way Dismist Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the meeting house in Chatham on munday the 23: Day of march 1752 then was voated in sd warrant to do what may be proper in reagard in a man to sarve Constable in the room of Joseph sparrow and also to chuse a nother for the middel parte of the town if need be
Mr samuel horton chosen moderator for sd meating then voated in mr James Higgins Constable in the room of Joseph Sparrow then this meating adjurned till tusday the 14 of aprel next at 2 of the Clock in the after noon and at time and plase but a few parsons met and Dismist this meating

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the meeting hous in Chatham on munday the 18. of may 1752 at 10: Clock in the forenoon there was voated in sd warrant to chuse [illegible] men to sarve 3 to sarve on the grand Jury and three on the petty Jury at the next superior Court on the third tusday in sd month capt Jabez snow chosen moderator for sd meating then chose for grand Jury men Deacon John freeman Capt Jabez snow and theophelus paine and for pety Jury mr nathaniel freeman Israel mayo and Joshua Atwood

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the meeting house in Chatham on munday yt 18: Day of may 1752 at twelve a clock then was voated in sd warrant to chuse 4 petty Jury men for to sarve at the next inferior Court at Barnstable on the last tusday in June and [illegible] to sarve the remainder of the year Jabez snow moderator for sd meating then there was Drawn out of the box for petty Jury men Nathaniel Deane Joshua Atwood Joseph [illegible] and [illegible] Chosen for grand Jury man Samuel [illegible]

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in eastham on munday the 18: of may 1752 at one of the Clock in the after noon there was voted it so nesesary to Chuse a man or men to represent the town in a grate and general Court or assembly appointed to be held for his magiestys servis at the Court hous in Concord upon wedensday the 27: of may instant and to Do what is proper in answering a petition put into the court by william walker and prins Colings and to Chuse a nother Constable in in the room of Joseph pepper that was Chosen last march and to Do what may be proper a bout setling the bounds between the town of Eastham and the town of harwich Capt Jabez snow Chosen moderater for sd meating thare was then Chosen for representitive Deacon John freeman then Chose Jonathan Doane to answer the pitition of william walker and prins Colings then voated that the widdo hope Coles sons pole should be abated and hezekiah nickersons pole should be abated in Edward Knowleses rate bill Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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may 11: 1752 then we the subcribers met and Renued the bounds and marks between Eastham and harwich which bounds as followeth viz beginning at the mouth of grate namescaket harbor and so up the main crick to a swamp wood tree and a stone set by it and from thenc southeasterly over to a stone that sets in a spring that Runs into salt water pond a little to the westerd of samuel Crys Dwelinghous and from thenc as the caniel runs out into the sea at potnumacut harbor

James higgens } select men of
Ebnezar higgens } Eastham

Jabez snow } select men of
John snow } harwich

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on tuesday 11 of august 1752 at 12 of the Clock in sd day there was voted it necessary to raise a sum of muney to support the poor of sd town and to support the town scool master and all other nesesary town Charges and allso to Do what may be thot proper with respect to Chusing a nother Constable in the room of mr James higgens that was excepted by the town in the room of Joseph sparrow now Deceased and allso to Do what may be proper in Chusing a Constable in the room

of Edward Knowles where as Joseph pepper being Chosen at the
anuel meating in march last refused to tak the Constables oath
mr nathaniel freeman moderator for sd meating then voated to
raise one hundred pounds to Defray town charges then Called
a voat wheather thay would Chuse a Constable in the room
of James higgens or not and it passed in the negitive then Called
for a voot wheather thay would Chuse a Constable in the room
of Joseph peper who was Chosen in march last and it past in
the affermitive then maid Choys of John Doane Constable for
the middle part of the town then thare was a complaint red
~~sent in~~ in town meating sent by Dct Jonathan Cenwrick
relaiting to the bounds betwean the town of Eastham and [illegible]
then Chose Thomas Knowles to ~~be~~ sarch the records and inform
mr Cenwrick of the range betwean the 2 sd towns
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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and at the a bove sd meating August 11:1752 the folling a
Count was broght in to Town meating and read and voated
we the subcribers being Chosen and appointed by the Town
of Eastham to audetate accounts with mr Samuel Doane jr
Town tresure for the year have Examened sd treasurs accounts and
find them well vouched and wright cast and thare is in sd
treasures hands thirteean pounds two shillings and 6 and
thare is out standing in the seuvel Constables hands 71=14--2--2 ¼

Nathaniel Freeman jr
Jonathan Doane

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

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at a town meating in Eastham lawfully warned and held
at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 2 of october
1752 thare was notes in sd warning to chuse 2 good and lawful
men to sarve on the pety jury at the next Infear Cort to be
holden at Barnstable on the 3: tusday of october instant
thare was then drawn out of the box for pety jury men
James freeman and Richard Cooke jr
Recorded per Thomas Knowles Town Clark

at a town meating in eastham Lawfully warned anhele at the middle meating hous in eastham on munday the 12 of march 1753 at nine of the Clock in the fore noon there was notes in sd warning to Chuse a town Clark and other town ofers as the Law Directs and to Dow what may be thot proper in raiseng muney for the widdo hannah Sparrow to pay james higgens for sorving Constable in her Desesed hosbans rume roome and allso to Dow what is proper in ~~what is proper~~ raising a bounty for the former Counstables for garering the town raught allso to Dow what is proper in lengthing ought the time and a Lowing the Bounty for the Counstables now presant for gathering the town raite and to Chues aman to supplie the plais of Deacon samuil freeman Desesed in Drawing out muney out of the Town Treasure to purches Land in the Liew of the Land that was takin of the minestears Lot and to Do what is thoght proper in answering the Desier of the Commety at poat nomecut in there petision Mr Joseph smith Chosen moderater for sd meating there was then Chosen for Town ofesers pursuatly for

Town Clark	Thomas Knowles
for select men	james higgens Ebnezar higgens Zoath smith
town treasure	Edward Knowles
Town assesers	theofilus higgens jonathan Doane john young

samuel Baty Chosen Constable and then that noat resaind and then maid Choys for

Constables	Benjamin higgens jr salvenus snow Barnabas twining
Tidingmen	John Cole william mirick jr Elisha holbrooks
sorvuaers of ways	Joseph smith jr Simeon Doane Ezekel harding
fens uears	Amos Knowles nathaniel Attwood Ephrem Covel

surveaers of Boards and singels	solomon peper
Lether celers	Josiah sears
Deer reeaf	william walker
hog reefs	jonathan mayo jonathan Cole gorge ward
pound Keepers	richard paine Joseph Atkens
to Keep the law relating Bilinsgat Beeach	simion smith
to Keep the law relaiting norset Beeach	Joseph mayo
neyrtime men	richard sparre john freeman Amos Knowles jabez snow nathaniel freeman

at the a fore sd meating voated that Deacon John freeman
and Jonathan Doane should make up acounts with samuel Doane
town tresure then voated that the widdo hanah sparrow
should Draw out of the Town tresure twenty pounds old tener
then voated that Edward Knowles and Daniel Cole former
Constables should Draw out of the town tresure three pence on
the pound for Collecting the town raight when they ware Constable
then voated the presant Constables three pence on the pound for
Collecting the town ~~and present~~ raight sd Constables paying in
and making up with the Town tresure at or before the last of
Desembar next then voated that samuel Doane Jr should be the
man in the room of Deacon samuel freeman Deceased to Draw
forty pounds old tenor money out of the town treasure to purchis land in the lue of
the land taken of the minesteral lot in the middle part of
the town then Chosen Deacon John freeman agent to answer
the potnomacut peoples petision put in to the town
then chose to take care of the children on the Lords Day
at the southern part of the Town Ebnezar higgins Jr
and at the middle part of the town John snow
then this meating adjurned to the last munday of this
instant march at two of the Clock in the after noon

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at the a fore said adjurnment on the Last munday of this
instant march no man appeared to sd meating

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating in Eastham Lawfully warned and
held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the
twelth of march 1753 at twelve of the Clock in sd Day thare
was notes in sd warning to Chous 2 grand Jury men to sarve for this year and 2 pety
Jury men to sarve at the next infear court at Barnstable
Mr Joseph smith Chosen moderater for sd meating

thare was Chosen for grand Jury men samuel Baty
and Elezar Attwood and for pety Jury men thare
was Drawn out of the Box benjamin cole and David snow

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

At a town meeting Lawfully warned and held at the
middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 14 Day
of may 1753 at one of the Clock in the after noon thare
was notes in sd warning to Chouse one or more ~~to serve~~
~~the town in a~~ parsons freeholders and Resedents in sd town
to sarve for and Represent them in a grate and genral
Court or assembly appointed to be held for his maigett serpis
at the Count hous in Boston on wensday the 30 Day of may
instant (and also to consider an Do what is proper to prevent
the Distructsion of our westeran shour and to Don what
is proper in Chainging a peeas of land lotd out to the indins
with John pain and allso to act further with the poten=
=unacatt peaple if thare be ocasion for it Mr nathaniel
freeman moderater for sd meating —
then voted and maid Choys for a representative deacon
John freeman allso voated if sd freeman should
stay at home to save the town Charge and should be fined at
the Court the town voated to be helpful to him also voted
that if men will appear to stop up the Lains that leads
to the western shour upon thare one Cost and Charg then sd
men may by a voat of the town allso voated that John
paine and the indens might Chaing land and as for the
potenumacat people it was Discourst on and Dismist
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

Att a town meeting warned and held at the south meeting
house in Eastham on munday the 18 of June 1753 at one of
the Clock in the afternoon thare was notes in sd warning
to Chuse 4 pety jury men to sarve at the next Infear
Court at Barnstable and also by order of the select men
to Do what is proper in giving the select men Suminst=
=ructions Consarning Drawing muney out of the treasure for
sum of the poor of sd town Mr samuel Doane moderater
for sd meating it was then Discourst upon and voated that
the select men should not Draw any muney out of the
treasure for the seport of richard Cooke Thomas newComb
and wife till farther orders from the town then this meeting
adjourned till wensday next at 3 of the Clock in the after non
at the a bove sd place —
at time and place the Town met and thare was Drawn out
of the box for pety jury men Elisha rogers samuel higgens jr
Ezekel harding and David brown Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clar

at a town meeting warned and held at the south meating hous in Eastham on munday the 18: of June 1753 at 2 of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd warning to chuse 3 grand Jury men and 3 pety Jury men to sarve at the supear Court to be holden at Barnstable on the 4 tusday of July next
Mr nathaniel freeman Jur moderater for sd meating
then chose for grand Jury men Elisha Linel Joshua Knowles and Capt Jabez snow then this meating adjurnd to wednes=Day next at 4 of the Clock in the after noon to this plase at time and plase the town met and maid Choys for pety Jury men Deacon Jonathan higgens Jr Left Edman freeman and Richard sparrow Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clar

at a town meeting lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 13: of august 1753 at twelve of the Clok in sd Day thare was notes in sd warning to raise a sum of muney to Defray the Charg of the town for the insuing year and also to do what may be proper respecting sum of the poor of sd town who are under Difecult surcamstanses by reason of the pretended order that the treasure hath not to Reimburst any muney out of the treasure for thare surport and allso Do what Else shall be thought proper
on said Day Capt Zoath smith moderater for sd meating
then voated to raise one hundred pounds to Defray the town Charges then voated to take of samuel higgens town and provens rate in John Doanes Bills then voated 25: pounds old tener for the surport of Thomas nucomb and wife which was Due before the tenth of June last then voated after the rait of fifty pounds old tener pr one year for the surport of sd nucomb and to begin from the tenth of June last the a bove sd voat ~~was fo~~ of fifty pounds was for one year
at the a bove sd meating the following paper was read in town meeting and Excepted we the subscribers being appointed by the town of Eastham to audite the acounts with samuel Doane town treasurer for the year past have accordingly this 15 Day of march 1753 Examined sd accounts and find them well voucht and right Cast and we find in sd treasurers hands fifteen pounds twelve shillings and one farthing and thare is out standing in the several Constables hands ninety nine pounds two shillings and 7 pence
John freeman
Jonathan Doane

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clar

July 10 1753 memorandum we the subscribers selectmen of the town of Eastham and Truro have this Day Renued line between sd town of Eastham and truro as the law Directs
Ebnezar higgens } select men
Zoath smith } of Eastham
James Lumbard } selectmen
John Rich } of truro

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Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clar

at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the midle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 15th of October 1753 there was notes in sd warning to Chuse 2: men to sarve on the petit Jury at the next Inferior Court to be holden at Barnstable there was then Drawn out of the box for petit Jury men — Israel Atwood and James Rogers

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clar

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at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on the 31: Day of October 1753 at 3 of the Clock in the after noon there was notes in sd warning to Doe what may be proper a bout settleing the bounds between the town of harwich and the town of Eastham and allso to Doe what may be proper a bout Mr David Brown Keeping Richard Cook

John freeman Esqr Chosen moderater for sd meating

then voted to Chuse a Committy to ~~[illegible]~~ Discours with the select men of harwich to sea if they would Comply to setel the Bounds Between the town of Eastham and the town of harwich then voted and maid Choys of Mr James higgens Mr Joseph smith and Mr Elisha freeman and sd Committy to mak thair Report at the adjournment of this meating and for David Browns Keeping richard Cook it was Discourst on and Dismest to a fuller meating then this meating adjurnd to the 2 munday in Desember next at one of the Clock in the after noon — — — — —

at the a Bove sd adjournment the town meet at time and plase and the moderater being not presant the town maid Coyce of Mr Joseph Smith moderater then the moderiter Called a voate whether the town would Chouse an agent to Joyn with the post menacat people in thair petishon and it passed in the affermative then voted and maid Coyce of samuel smith Esqr to Joyn with the a Bove sd post menacat people in thair petishan and to Drawe sd petishon and to be laid before the town before sent to the Jineral Cort — — — —

and as for Mr David Browns Keeping Richard Cooke as one of the poore of the town thare was a voat Called by the moderater and it passed in the nagitive

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clar

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at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday ye: 17: of Desember 1753 at 12 of the Clock on sd Day thare was notes in sd warning to Do what may be thought propper Respecting Thomas mcComb and wife who are under Difecult surcomstanses by reason that the town refuses to releave them and the Children are not able or at least they Do not support them so that unles somewhat be Done consarning them they must perish samuel smith Esqr moderater for sd meating then it was Discourst upone and voated by sd town by reason that the a bove sd Children Do

do not support the a fore sd necomb and wife that the select men shall draw out of the town treasure a suffisiency for the support of the a fore sd necomb and wife with the fifty pounds old tenor that was voated them in August last past untill the honourable Court shall determin whether the town or Children shall support them or what part the Town and what part the Children shall support — —
then voated and maid Choys of Mr Joseph smith an agent for sd town to draw a petishon for the a fore sd necomb to sign and lay before the Court that his Children and the town refuses to ~~not~~ support them and if sd necomb refuses to sign sd petision then said smith in behalf of the town to draw a petision and lay before the ~~cou~~ next Court that the a fore sd Children refuses to support thare parents

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 17: of desember 1753 there was notes in sd warning to Chuse 2 good and lawful men to serve on the pety Jury at the next inferior Court at Barnstable thare was then drawn out of the box for pety Jury men Israel Cole and James Atwood

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday ye 11: of march 1754 at teen of the clock on sd day thare was notes in sd warning to chuse a Town clerk and select men and other Town offisers as the law directs and allso to act further a bout setling the bounds between the Town of harwich and the Town of Eastham and allso to Chuse an agent to defend the town a gainst the petishon of Thomas necomb if there be need and of and allso to do what is propper Relating to the maintinance of Richard Cook for the time past
Mr nathaniel freeman Jr moderater for sd meating
thare was then Chosen for Town ofisers firstly for

Town Clar	Thomas Knowles
select men	James higgens Samuel doane Jr Heath smith
Town Tresure	Edward Knowles
Town assessors	theofilas higgens Jonathan doane Ephram Cole
Constables Ruben Kith Joseph Cole Jr	~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ Joseph pepr
Siding men	Moses Smith nathaniel [illegible] Cornelus [illegible]
Surveyors of ways	Joshua [illegible] Jeremiah Mayo Benjamin [illegible]

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fensvears	Jonathan smith James freeman Joseph Atkens
surveyers of lumber and shingels	Soloman pepper Edward Knowles
Lether seler	Josias sears
[illegible] reaf	william walker
hogh reef	Jonathan mayo Jonathan Cole Benimin hamblen
pound keepers	Richard paine Joseph Atkens
wardine men	Jonathan higgens Jr Joseph smith Elisha Doane Jr Soloman pepper Soloman Doane
to keep the Law relaiting [illegible]	simeon smith
to keep the Law relaiting horsel breach	Joseph mayo

Then maid Choys of John freeman Esqr an agent to joyn with the pottanumacut people and the former agent in setling the bounds between the town of harwich and the town of Eastham then voated and maid Choys of Mr Joseph smith an agent to answer the petishon of Thomas mulcom put in to the Court last sessions consarning his maintanance then voated that the select men should Draw the muney out of the treasure to pay Ebenezer Rogers for the maintanance of richard Cook which they agreed with him for then maid Choys of Mr Joseph smith and samuel Doane Jr to make up acounts with Edward Knowles town treasurer Isaac pepper chosen constable then voated to Dismis Isaac pepper from being Constable and maid Choyse of Joseph pepper in his roome. Amos Knowles Chosen survaer of ways and refused to tak the oath relaiting other Culonsy muney then maid Choys of Mr Banimain smith in his roume then voated that John freeman Esqr should Draw eighteen shillings out of the town treasure to help Defray the charge of the pottanumacut people in thare pitishon to the general Court in going of to this town and as for the maintanance of Richard ~~Cook~~ for the time past it was Discoursed upone and Dismist. then this meeting adjourned to next munday at 2 of clock at this place Recorded per Thomas Knowles Town Clar

At a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 11: of march 1754 at 12 of the Clock in sd Day thare was notes in so warning to Chuse two grand Jurymen to serve for the present year and two pety Jurymen to serve at the next inferiour court at Barnstable Mr Richard Sparrow moderator for so meating thare was then Chosen for grand Juresmen Ebenezer higgens Jr and Mr Samuel Snow and thare was Drawn out of the Box for pety Jurymen Joseph hambelton and Thomas Higgens Jr Recorded per Thomas Knowles Town Clar at the adjurnment of the annuel meeting ye: 11 of march 1754 to munday ye: 18: of march 1754 at 2 of the clock in the after noon the town met at time and plase and the moderater being present then called a voat to se whether thay would Dismis Sheaftel as pain from being cunstable and it pased in the affermetive then maid choyse of Joseph Cole Jr Cunstable in his room then voated to Dismis hinks grose from being cunstable and maid choys of Elisha Doane Jr cunstable in his roome then this meating adjurnd to wednes day the 20: of march 1754 at teen of the clock in the forenoon

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Cler

at time and plase the Town met and Elisha Doane being chosen presint asser and taken his oath in that ofes befor the cunstable could notefie him to tak the oath of a cunstable the town maid choys of Reuben Rich for a cunstable in his room Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Cler

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at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on mainday the firest day of apriel 1754 at two of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd warning to do what may be thought proper consarning Richard Cooke his children Refusing to look after him and he throwing himself upone the town for help and alleo for the town to give instructions to the select men of sd town a bout Drawing muney out of the treasure John freeman Esqr moderater for sd meating then voated to Resuone the voate voated in June: 18: 1753 consarning not Drawing any [illegible] muney out of the treasure for the support of Richard Cook and as for the town to give instructions to the select men consarning Drawing muney out of the treasure it was Discoursed upon and Dismist Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Cler

a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating house in Eastham on munday the 13: of may [illegible] thare was notes in sd warning to chouse petty jury men to sarve at the next infear court at Barnstable thare was then drawn out of the box for petty jury men [illegible] pepper and simon nucomb

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Cler

~~a town meating warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 13 of may 1754 thare was notes in sd warning to Chouse 3 grand Jury men and 3 pety Jury men to sarue at the next supear Court at Barnstable Mr nathanel freeman moderater for sd meating there was then Drawn out of the Box for pety Jury men Theofulas paine Cristan Remick and Joshua higgens Jr and for grand Jury men thare was Chosen Mr Joseph smith Jonathan Doane and Soloman Doane~~

~~Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar~~

a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 13 of may 1754 thare was noted in sd warning to Chuse a Representetive to sarue at the greanarel Court to be keapt and held at the Court hous in Boston on the twenty ninth of may instant Capt Jabez snow moderater for sd meating then the Selectmen Called a vote to se wheather the town would Chuse a representetive and it past in the negetive then voted the select men should Draw a petission to send to the jenral Court to git releast from sending a representetive voated to releas Jeremiah smith Jr Deceased rate voated Mr Joseph smith teen pounds old tenor for sarues Dun for the town in Caring a petishan into the Court a bout Thomas mcComo and his Children ——

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday 13 Day of ma 1754 thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse 3 grand Jury men and 3 pety Jury men to sarue at the supear Court at Barnstable on the 4 tusday of July next Mr nathanel freeman moderater for sd meating thare was Chosen for grand Jury men Mr Joseph smith Jonathan Doane and Soloman Doane and for pety Jury men Theofulas paine Christan remick and Joshua higgens Jur

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

the a pore sd meeting May 13:1754 the following a count was broght to meating and Reed and voated to be put upon Record we the subcribers being appointed by the town of Eastham to audet the a counts with Mr Edward Knowles Town treasure for the year past have a ccordingly this 1 Day of Appril Anno Dom 1754 examed sd a Counts and find them well vouched and wright cast and there is due to sd treasure three shillings and nine penc 2 fardings and there is out standing in the severl Counstables hands ninty pounds two shillings three farthings

} Samuel Doane jr
} Joseph Smith

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on tusday ye 28 of may 1754 thare was notes in sd warning to do what shall be thought further proper in securing the western shore beach lands and meado John freeman Esqr moderater for sd meeting then voated that the voat that was past in may 14: 1753 consarning ~~stoping~~ stoping the ways that leads to the western shore should be by gates or bars then voated to chuse a commety to see if they could procure a number of men that will stop the lains that leads to the western shore upon thare one corst and charg and the commety to do thare work upon thare one corst and charg then voated and maid choys for the commety Capt gabez snow James higgens Joseph smith Jr Joshua Knowles salvenas snow and samuel smith Esqr then this meating was adjurnd to the first munday in august at 2 of the clock in the after noon to reseave the commetys report

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at the above sd time and plase the town met and the moderater being present the commetys report was
92 that there was not a suffishant number that would stop the lains that leads to the western shore upon thare own corst and charg then the moderater called a voat whether the town would chuse an agent

to Dr a pitision to send to the ginral court for
an act to be maid that the a fore sd lains might
be stopt and it past in the negitive ——

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating loufully warned and held at
the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the
5 of august 1754 at 12 of Clock thare was notes in sd warning
to raise muney to pay the town scool and all other neseray Charges arising in sd town for the year insuing
Mr Amos Knowles moderater for sd meating ——
then voated to rays one hundred pounds to defray
the town Charges for the insuing year —— ——
the moderater then Called a voat to se wheather the
town ware willing the Bill past in the grate and ginral
Court relaighting to the Excise should pass into a law
and it past in the neagetive —— —— ——
then voated the select men should draw muney out
of the town treasure to by the town stock of amenishon
then voated the County rate should be drawn out of
the town treasure —— —— ——

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the
south meating hous in Eastham on wednsday the 4 day of
september 1754 thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse
two pety jury men to serve at the next infear Court
at Barnstable thare was then drawn out of the box for
pety jury men gasham Cole and samuel harding.

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating
hous in Eastham on munday the 2 day of Decemb 1754 at 2 of the
Clock in sd Day thare was nots in sd warning to Chuse an a gent
or order the select men to answer the petision at next Court that
David Brown hath entred a gainst the town for thare refusing
to pay him for keeping mr Richard Cooke fiue weakes in the
year 1753 Mr Joseph Smith moderater for sd meating ——
the moderater then Called a voat wheather the present select men
should be agents to answer the pitishan put into the Court by David
Brown or a gree with sd Brown and it pased in the negetive then the moder
ater Called a voat and the town maid Choys of the present select men
to answer the pitishan put in to the Court by David Brown

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a Town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 10: Day of march 1755 at 9 of the Clock in the fore noon there was notes in sd warning to Chuse 2 grand Jury men for this present year and 2 petty Jury men to sarve at the next Inferier Court at Barnstable on the 3 tusday of this instant march Mr nathaniel freeman moderater for sd meating there was then Chosen for grand Jury men moses smith and Ezekel holbrook and Drawn out of the box for petty Jury men Jonathan sparrow and Beniamin higgens ye 3

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 10: Day of march 1755 at 10: of the Clock in the fore noon there was notes in sd warning to Chuse a town Clark town treasure select men and Constables and all other Town officers as the law Derects and also to Do what may be thought proper in stoping the ways that leads from the meating hous to Joshua hopkenses and the way by Jobe Crockers Down to Jonathan smiths for a bout fifteen months from the last of apreel next they maiking and keeping convenant gates During sd time Mr nathaniel freeman moderater for said meating there was then Chosen for Town offesers as followeth

Town Clark } Thomas Knowles

Town treasurer } Edward Knowles

select men } James higgens
samuel Doane Jr
Zoath smith

Constables } James Rogers
~~gorge Brown Jr~~
~~Robert Rich~~
nathaniel Atwood
James Atwood

town assesers } Theofilus higgens
Jonathan Doane
Ephraim Couel

Tyden men } samuel paine
Jonathan Cole
Beniamin hamblen

surveyers of ways } Jonathan smith
Lewis smith
Abiser holbrook

fens vewers } Daniel snow
sam smith Jr
Joseph perce

surveyers of bords and shingels } soloman pepper
Edward Knowles

Lether sealer } Josiah sears

Dear ref } ebnezer higgens

hog ref } Jonathan mayo
prins Colwy
soloman lues

pound keepers } Richard paine
Joseph Atkens

to keep the law relaiting bilinsget Beach simeon smith

to keep the law relaiting nawset Beach Joseph mayo

negetive men } Mr nathaniel freeman
John freeman Esqr
Ebnezar higgens
~~Joseph [illegible]~~
Joseph smith Jr
Richard sparrow

then the town voated that the lain which leads from the south meating hous to Joshua hopkens and the lain that leads from Jobe Croker to Jonathan smiths might be stopt fifteean maunths from the last of Aprel next provided thay that stop them will upone thare oane cost and charg keep good and conveniant gates for people to pase and repas with carts or otherwise in sd lains as thay shall have ocation then voated and maid choys of John freeman Esqr and Jeames higgens to sharch the Records of land to se if the middle part of the town is not ponged of one minestearl lot then maid choys of mr Joseph smith and samuel Doane to makup acounts with Edward Knowles Town treasure then this meating ajurnd untill fryday next at 3 of the clock in the after noon at time and plase the Town met and maid choys of mr nathaniel freeman negative man in the roome of Joseph hamelton then Dismist Robrt Rich from being cunstable and maid choys of James Attwood in his room then voted and cleerd gorge Brown Jr from being cunstable and chose nathaniel Attwood in his room then this meating ajurnd till munday next at 3 of the clock in the afternoon

at the a bove sd munday nobody appeared at the meating

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on thursday the 8 of may 1755 there was votes in sd warneing to chause 4 good and lawful men to sarve for pety Jury men at the next Inferior Court at Barnstable on the 2 tusday of may there was then Drawn out of the Box for pety Jury men Jonathan may Thomas holbrooks Thomas Snow and Jorge Brown Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating house in Eastham on munday the 19 of may 1755 there was votes in sd warning to chuse a representative and to chose a commety to setel the scool in the middle part of the town and in the other parts if thay se cause John freeman Esqr moderator for sd meating then the town maid choys of John freeman Esqr for a representetive to represent them in the great and Jenarel court at Boston then the moderator called a voat to see if thay would chuse a commety to settle the scool in the middle part of the town and it past in the affermetive then the town maid choys for a commety Jonathan Doane william walker nathaniel Attwood nathaniel freeman Jr william Knowles william myrick Theophilus higgens.

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the whole meating hous in Eastham on munday the 19 of may 1755 thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse 3 grand Jury men and 3 pety Jury men to sarve at the next supear Court at Barnstable — Mr Joseph Smith moderater for sd meating then maid Choys for grand Jury men Samuel higgens Jr Soloman Doane and Israel mayo and for pety Jury men John Doane Joshua Knowles and Capt Jabez Snow ———

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at the a-bove sd meating may 19: 1755 the folowing a Count was read and voated in town meating to be put upon Record as foloweth we the subscribars being appointed by the town of Eastham to audet a Counts with Mr Edward Knowles town treasure for the year past have accordingly this twenty eight day of march 1755 Examened sd a Compts and find them well vouched and right cast and thare is in sd treasures hands three pounds Eleven shillings eight penc two fardings and thare out standing in the several Constables hands ninty six pounds thirteean shillings teen penc and one farding —

Samuel Doane Jr
Joseph Smith

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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may 30: 1755 then we the subscribars met and Renued the Bounds betweam the town of Eastham and the town of harwich which are as followeth viz: Beginning at a swamp wood tree at the head of naimescaket with a stone set in the ground by it thenc northerly by a Crick as the Crick runs into the sea and from sd swamp wood tree South Easterly over to salt water pond to a stone by a spring a little to the wesward of Samuel Crys Dweling hous and thenc as the Canel runs out of potnumacat harbar in to the sea

James higgens
Samuel Doane
Jabez Snow
} Select men

william freeman appointed by the Select men

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 18 of August 1755 at 2 of the clock in sd Day thare was notes in sd warning to raise muney to Defray the Charges a rising in sd town the year insuing and allso to do what is proper in alowing the severel Cunstables thare Bounty for Collecting the town rates for the year past Mr Joseph smith moderater for sd meating then voted to raise ninty pounds on the poles and Estates of the ratable inhabatanc of the town of Eastham one half to be paid in by the last of Desember next and the other half by the last of aprel next then voated the severel Cunstables three penc on the pound for Collecting the town rait if sd Cunstables pay in and mak up with the town treasure on or before the last of Desember next then voated Joseph Cole Jr three shillings and four penc for sarvies dun for the town Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clark

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 8 of september 1755 at three of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd warning to Chouse 2 pety Jury men to sarve at the next infear Court at Barnstable and at sd meating thare was Drawn out of the Box for pety Jury men Bernabas Young and Daniel mayo.

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clar

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at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 24 of november 1755 thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse 2 pety Jury men to sarve at the next infeiar Court at Barnstable Mr samuel Doane Jr moderater for sd meating and by reason that thare was but one select man at sd meating it was adjurned till wedens Day the 26 of sd month at time and place the town met and thare was Drawn out of the Box for Jury men John taler and Joseph smith Jr

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 8 Day of march 1756 thare was notes in said warning to Chous 2 grand Jury men and 2 pety Jury men to sarve at the next infear Court at Barnstable Mr Joath smith moderater for sd meatin then maid Chois of grand Jury men moses smith and samuel Snow and for pety Jury men Theophalas higgins and Caleb Cuke

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 8 of march 1756 at teen of the Clock on sd Day thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse a town Clark and town treasure and

select men and Cunstables and all other ~~town~~ ofesars
John freeman Esqr moderater for sd meating
then maid Choyse for Town Clark Thomas Knowles and Town treasure Edward Knowles

Select men	James higgens samuel Doane Jr Joath smith
Cunstables oleuer Clary Thomas Dill	~~Joshua higgens Jr~~ Samuel smith Jr ~~Ezekel holbrooke~~
Town assesers	Theophilus higgens Jonathan Doane Ephraim Covel
Tyding men	Isaac hopkens hachal nickerson Thomas higgens Jr
surveyers of ways	Jonathan Linel Joshua Knowles Daniel Eldreg
to keep the law relating Billingsgat Beach	simeon smith
fens vewers	Jonathan smith Cristan remick John young
surveyers of Boards and shingels	Israel Cole Edward Knowles
Lether selars	Josiah sears Lewie smith
Dear ref	Ebnezar freeman
hog refs	Cornelas harding Joshua Cole Gorge Brown william myrick
pound keepers	Jeremiah smith Joseph Atkens
neagetive men	Jonathan higgens Jr richard sparrow John freeman Esq Jabez snow Thomas Knowles
to keep the law for norset Beach	Joseph mayo

then the town maid Choys of Jabez snow and samuel Doane Jr to makup a Counts with Edward Knowles Town treasure then the town voted to a bate Mr Joshua higgens rate in Daniel Coles rait bill and samuel Bakers sons rate in James rogerses Bills who is now in his majestys serves then this meating adjurned to munday next at 2 of the Clock in the after noon at time and plase the Town met and the moderater being present and the Clark absent the town maid Choys of Mr samuel Doane Jr Clark for sd meating and first being sworn to sd offes then the town released Joshua higgens Jr from being Cunstable and maid Choyse of Jesse snow for Cunstable for the southerly part of the Town then this meating adjurned to wensday the thirty furst of march instant at 3 of the Clock in the after noon at the middle meating hous in Eastham ___

at time and plase the the town met and voated to Dismis Jesse snow from being Cunstable now and maid oleuer Clary Cunstable in his roome then voated to Dismis Ezekel holbrooke from being Cunstable and maid Choys by voats in his room Thomas Dill then this meating adjurned to munday the twelth of Aprill next at 3 of the Clock in the after noon at the middle meating hous in Eastham at time and plase nobody appeared for the several Cunstables had took thare oaths before

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Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meat
ing hous in Eastham on munday the 27 Day of Apprel 1756 at one
of the Clock in the after noon there was notes in sd warning to
Chuse 2 pety Jury men to sarve at the next infeir Court
at Barnstable there was then Drawn out of the Box for pety Jury
men william twining and Joshua Atwood

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating
hous in Eastham on munday the 17 of may 1756 at one of the Clock in
the after noon there was notes in sd warning to Chouse 6 men 3 to sarve
on the grand Jury and 3 on the pety Jury at the next ~~infer~~ supear
Court at Barnstable John freeman Esqr moderater for sd meating
there was then Chosen for grand Jury men Joshua Knowles Eleazer
freeman and Solomon Doane and pety Jury men Samuel Doane Jr
Elisha mayo and Jonathan Doane

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating
hous in Eastham on munday ye: 17: of may 1756 at 2 of the Clock in
the after noon there was notes in sd warning to Chuse a representa-
tive and allso to Do what may be thought proper in a Lowing a way
from John hardings hous up to the high way at the head of rock harber
and allso to Dow what may be proper to raise muney to hier men for
sd town to Defend them in the war for the time to Cum John freeman
Esqr moderater for sd meating
then the Town maid Choys by voate for a representative
Captn Soloman pepper then the moderater put to voat whether the Town
would act in raising muney to hier solgers for the fater or not and it
pased in the neagetive Then they voated the way ~~lai~~ laid out from
John hardings to the head of rock harber by the selectmen and is
Recorded in the book of records of Lands in paige 121
Then voated to give James atwood his raite in Joseph peppers
and nathaniel Attwoods raite bills then the foullowing account
was read and voated to be put upon record
Eastham march 31: 1756 we the subcribars Being appointed by
the town of Eastham to audit the aCcounts with Mr Edward Knowles
Town treasurer for the year past have ~~examened~~ acCordingly
this thirty first Day of march 1756 Examened sd aCounts and
find them right Cast and there is in sd treasurers hands Eleven
pounds twelve shillings and five pence 2 farthings and there is
out standing in the severl Constables hands ninty too pounds
Eighteen shillings and 9 penc 3 farthings

Samuel Doane Jr
Jabez Snow

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating Law-fuly warned and held at the midle meating hous in Eastham on munday the :12: Day of July 1756 at :12: of the Clock in sd Day thare was notes in sd worning to Do what may be thought propper in sending an answoor to the pitishon of samuel smith Esqr Consarning bilinsgat Beach and Islands at the grate and jineral Court at Boston Mr Timothy Cole Chosen moderator for sd meating then the Town voated that the a bove sd ~~sd~~ Samuel Smith Esqr and the rest of the proprietors Should Keep :12: neat Cattle on the a bove sd beach and Islands from the first of Aprel to the first of June and :18: neat Cattle from the first of June to the twentyeth of november provided the town may have liberty at thare anual meating in march to Chuse a man or men to have inspecttion over sd Islands and beach and ad or Deminish the number of cattle as thay shall think fit so as the security of said Islands and beach may still be increasing

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 16: Day of August 1756 at 2 of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd worning to rais muney to Defray the nesary Charges a rising in sd town for the year insuing and allso for the town to Consider and Do what may be thought propper in Drawing muney out of the town [illegible] to procure men to Defend us in the war for the [illegible] and alse to Do what may be thought proper in a lowing the seaveral Constables for gathering the town raite the year past John Freeman Esqr moderator for sd meating then the [illegible] a biger sum of muney than thay [illegible] to raise to lay [illegible] [illegible] before the last of [illegible]

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

eastham july ye 7 1756 [illegible] we the subscribers select men of the town of eastham having notefid the select men of the town of Truro to meat us as the law directs in order to perambulate the line between the town of eastham and the Town of Truro and we have meat at time and plase which we had appointed ye select men to meat us yet notwithstanding ye select men of the Town of Truro did not meat us in order to perambulate sd line as the law directs

Zoheth smith
samuel freeman } select men

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clerk

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at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in eastham on tusday ye 7 Day of september 1756 at 3 of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd warning to Chouse 2 good and lawfull men to serve on pety jury at the next infear Court at Barnstable Mr nathaniel Attwood Chosen moderater for sd meating and thare being but one of the select men presant at sd meating the moderater called a vote and adjurnd sd meating to munday next at three of the Clock in the after noon at time and plase the town met and thare was Drawn out of the box for pety jury men stephen snow jr and joshua cole Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in eastham on munday the ~~tenth~~ 22 Day of november 1756 at 2 of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse two pety jury men to sarve at the next Infear Court at Barnstable on the first tusday of Desembar next Edward Knowles moderater for sd meating and thare was but one select man presant at sd meating then the moderater Called a vote and adjurnd sd meating to munday the 29 Day of this presant november at 2 of the Clock in the after noon at time and plase the Town met and thare was Drawn out of the Box for pety jury men Isaac Harding and Thomas Brown Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on tusday the 1 Day of march 1757 at teen of the Clok on sd Day thare was notes in sd warning To Chuse a town clark Town treasurer select men and Constables and all other town ofesers as the law Directs for the year insuing and allso for the Town select the pety jurys according to the last act

major Zoath smith moderater for said meating

then

then voted for town Clark
Thomas Knowles

town Treasure Edward Knowles

select men { James higgens
Jabez snow
Zoath smith }

Town assesers { Theophelus higgens
Jonathan Doane
Selvenas snow }

Constables { [illegible] chose [illegible]
gorge Brown Jr
richard Arey }
Benoman higgens 3

tything men { Carnelas harding
James Linkernel
Thomas higgens }

Surveyors of ways { william Cummings
william walker
[illegible] }

fence veiwers { Jonathan smith
[illegible]
Ezekel harding }

Deer ref. { stephen snow }

lather seler { Josiah sears

hog reaf { Joseph Arey
David Cole
Israel Atwood }

pound keepers { Jeremiah smith
Joseph Atkens }

neagitive men { John freeman Esq
Jonathan higgens Jr
Joseph smith
[illegible] snow
John young }

surveyors of bord and shingls { Solomon pepper
Edward Knowles }

to keep the law relaiting
to Bilinsgat Beach samuel
smith Esqr

to keep the law relaiting nosset
Beach Joseph mayo

then the town Chose a committy to select the petty jury according
to the Late act namely Solomon [illegible] Ebenezer higgens Eleazar [illegible]
then voted to a bate Nathaniel Doanes pole rate the [illegible]
a bate Ebenezar freemans pole rate then maed Choyse of Jonathan
Doane and samuel Doane to make up acounts with Edward Knowles
town treasure then voted to give [illegible] [illegible] fifty pounds
old tener and to a bate his last years rate then this meating
was adjurned to tusday the 8 of this instant march at two of the
clock in the after noon
at time and place the town met and Joshua higgens desired
the town to excuse from being Constable by infermity [illegible]
then the moderator Called a vote and the town Cleared him
& voat and Chose Benjamin higgens 3 in his room
Recorded by Thomas Knowles town clark

at a town meating lawfully held at the middle meating hous
in Eastham on munday this 7 day of march 1757 at 3 of the Clock
on sd day there was votes in sd warning to Chouse two pety
Jury men and 2 grand Jury men for the insueing year
John freeman Esqr moderater for sd meeting ~~them~~ them
maide Chouse for grand Jury men Joseph Cole Jr and
Elezer Attwood then maid Choys of Mr nathaniel Gould and
Jonathan Done ~~are~~ Commetty to ~~[illegible]~~ at ponemacut peoples
a County and make report to ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] meating
then this meating adjurned to tusday 8 day of this instant
march at 3 of the Clock in the after noon at time and place the
town met and there was drawn out of the box for pety Jury men
Samuel higgens Jr and James Cohoon then mr nathaniel Gould and
Jonathan Doane brought in thare Report as followeth that the
poat nummacut people should pay of the Charg of that they
are at in being set of to this town Seven pounds fifteen shilling
to this towns paying twenty pounds and so proporshenably
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a Town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle
meating hous in Eastham on tusday 8 day of march 1757 at one of
the Clock in the after noon thare was votes in sd worning to Con
sider and do what may be thought proper Respecting giueing
~~giueing~~ instructions to the select men to draw money out of
the town treasure as a bounty for the soulders who are to be
raised out of the town for the present ocation Jonathan Doane
moderater for sd meating
then the moderater called a vote whether the Town would
draw any mony ~~and~~ and it past in the affermetive then
then the Town voted that the select men should draw out of
the Town treasure four hundred and twenty pounds old tenor
for the 14 men that are to be raised for the present ocaton
then voated sarah george the valey of three dolers in Corn at
Mr Joshua higgens Jr mill for tending old mercy nalon in har
sickness then voted John ralph six shillings and eight pence
for making Cofing and funral of mary nacon
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the
middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 25 of
April 1757 thare was votes in sd warning to Chuse
six good and lawful men three to sarve on the grand
Jury and three on the pety Jury Mr Zoath smith
moderater for said meating thear

thare was then Chosen for grand Jury men thomas
Knowles Joshua Knowles and william myrick and for pety
Jury men william walker Jeremiah mayo and James Rogers
Recorded pr thomas Knowles town Clerk

at a town meating Lawfully worned and held at the middle
meating house in Eastham on munday the 25 of April 1757 at three
of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd worning to Chuse
too pety Jury men to sarve at the next infear Court at Barnstable
thare was then Drawn out of the Box for pety Jury men Daniel
mayo and David Snow
Recorded pr thomas Knowles town Clerk

at a town meating Lawfully worned and held at the
middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 9 Day
of may 1757 thare was notes in sd worning to Chuse
a representive and allso to Do what shall Be thought proper
in Chousing an agent to answer David Browns pitishan put
into the last infear Court John freeman Esqr moderater for
sd meating then the town made Choise By voate for a represen-
tative Jonathan Bourn and Salvenas Snow an agent to answer
voated to abate samuel Dyrs rate
David Browns pitishan Recorded pr thomas Knowles town Clerk

at a town meating Lawfully worned and held at the middle meating
hous in Eastham on munday ye 23 Day of may 1757 at one of the Clock in afternoon thare was notes
in sd worning to Do what shall be thought proper with respect to
the Regulating the town Scoole either by keeping more Scools in
sd town or what ever other methord the town shall think Best
to Be Dun touching the premeses and allso to Chuse a parson to take
care of greate Island parsuant to the late act and allso Do what
shall Be thought proper in alowing samuel Smith Esqr to put on sd
Island sum horses in the roome of neat Cattle and small Cattle
Equilent to large ones and allso Do what shall Be thought proper
in fensing the western shore Mr Elezar freeman moderater for sd meating
Then the town voted to keep two Scooles in the following maner a
Commety to be Chosen out of Each part of the town Containing twelve
men that Commety to Divide the town into two Equal parts by fame
lys according to the Best of thare skill the one Scoole to be kept in the
98 southerly part of the town and the other in the northerly part of the
town sd Dividing line to run Easterly and westerly and the sd Commety
men which shall Be Chosen to the southerly of the Dividing line
shall and are impowred to settle the Scoole in the southerly part
of the town in such places and for so long a time at Each plase
as in thare Judgment shall Be thought most Equal and that

part of the Comminity that shall Be chosen in the northerly half to be impowred to state the scoole in such plases and for so long a time in each place as thay shall thing most Equal six of the Commety to be Chosen out of the north half and six out of the south half of the Town acording to sd Divison and those plases so appointed to be the stated plases for Boath scooles for three years from the time the scooles Commence sd Commety to make now Charge for sd servise and to make returns of thare Doings as soon as may Conveanently be to the town then Chose for the a bove sd Commety namly Deacon Jonathan higgens Jonathan Linel Richard sparrow Asa mayo Joseph smith Jr Joshua Knowles Solomon Doane Joseph pepper Elezar Atwood Joseph Atkens majer Zoheth smith Samuel smith 3d the a bove sd Commety to settle and State the Scoole in both parts of the Town for three years if sd Commety Can all agree —

then Chose by voate simion smith to take Care of the grate Island according to the late act then maid Choys By voate Ephrem Covel and Jonathan young to have inspecttion over sd Island and Equal X the horses and yung Cattle Equilent to larg ones with samuel smith 3d

then this meating ajurnd to munday the 6: Day of June next at one of the Clock in the after noone to Recive the a bove sd Commetys Reporte Relaiting to the scoole

at time and plase the Town met and the moderater Being not presen Chose Deacon Elisha Doane moderater for sd meating then the Commity Brought in thare report which is as followeth

Eastham may 30: 1757 we the subscribers being appointed as a Commety to Divide the Town into two Equal parts according to families and having taken an Exact list of the families in sd town have unanimously Cum to this Determination Respecting sd Divison that the Dividing line shall Begin Between samuel Doanes and solomon Doanes Running Easterly to the Back side sea and from whare sd line begon runing westerly leaving Jabez snows Jr to the southard and Ebenezer higgens to the northward still preseading westerly leaving James linkernues to the southward and Joseph peppers to the northward still westerly leaving the widdo Doanes to the northward and william myricks to the southward still westerly into the west sea all the a bove sd voted By the Town to be put upone Record and is accordingly Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

Zoheth Smith
Richard Sparrow
Joshua Knowles
Joseph Smith Jr
Solomon Doane
Joseph Atkins
Jonathan Linel
Jonathan higgens Jr
Asa mayo
Joseph pepper
Elezar Atwood
Samuel smith 3d

Commmittee

Eastham may 30 1757 we the subcribars Being a Committee appointed By the town to regulate ~~the scole~~ and settle the sCoole in the northerly part of the town after meturely Considering the situation of sd division have Cum to this determination that the sCool Shall be settled as hear after mentined for three years from the sCools Commencing to begin at the Islands at the northerly part of the north precinct to be Cept at the Dwelling hous of Elezar Atwoods two munths and an half and then to be Cept at the meating hous nine munths and if in the winter season at the most Convenient hous near by and then two munths and one quarter at Barnabas hardings and then four munths and one quarter at Ebnezar higgenses Dwelling hous which makes Eighteean munth in going throu sd Divisione then to begin at Elezar Atwoods Dwelling hous againe keep the same time and at Each of the a bove mentioned plases the same time as is a bove stated untill it hath gone throu sd Division the second time and Compleated the three year as first proposed voted By sd town to Be put upone Record and is accordingly Recorded

pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

Zoheth smith
solomon Doane
samuel smith 3
Joseph Atkens
Joseph pepper
Elezar Atwood
Commety

we the subCribars being Chosen a Committee to settle the sCoole in the southerly half part of the town of Eastham Do agree that the sCoole shall go throu the southerly half part of sd town in the performence of twelve munths sCooling the first setelment to be at John Atwoods or near thare a bouts and that quarter to Extend southerly as far as nathaniel Atwoods the sd sCool to Continue thare for three munths the second remove to be at seth Knowleses three munths the second quarter to Extend southerly as far as Reuben mayricks and Easterly as far as James higgenses and Enos higgens the third remove to be at John paines or near thare a bouts for the three munths sd third quarter to Extend Easterly as far as Esqr Doanes and Israel mayo the forth and last setelment to be at Daniel Coles or near thare a bouts for three munths when one years sCoole is parformed then the second year to begin the first quarter at seth Knowleses the second quarter to be at John Atwoods the third quarter to be at Daniel Coles the last quarter to be at John paines the third year the first quarter to be at John Atwoods the second quarter to be at seth Knowleses the third quarter to be at Daniel Coles the forth and last quarter to be at John paines

Eastham may 30: 1757
voted By sd town to Be put upone Record ~~and is accordingly Recorded~~

Richard sparrow
Joshua Knowles
Jonathan Linel
Jonathan higgens Jr
Joseph smith Jr
Asa mayo
Commete

then the Town voted that the select men should sign a petision with samuel smith esqr that that paregraft relatin to the fence on the north part of [illegible] [illegible] mite be taken of
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating Lawfubly warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on wensday the 29: Day of June 1757 at two of the Clock in the after noone thare was notes in sd warning to Do what shall be thought proper in preuenting the Cros and Black birds from destroying the Corne Mr Ebnezar higgens moderater for sd meating then the moderater Called a voate to se if the towne would act upone what was sited in the notafication or not and the voate pased in the neagutive Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the ~~town~~ middle meating hous in Eastham on wedns Day the 17 Day of August 1757 at one of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd warning to raise a sum of muney to maintaine the scholes in sd town and to support the poor in sd town and allso to Do what may be thought propper to prevent the Destruction of Corn by Cros and blak birds John freeman Esqr moderater for sd meating then voated to reise one hundred pounds one half to be paid in by the last of nouembr next the other half by the last of Apriel next then voated two pence for Evry Cros head and one peney a head for Evry old Blak birds head and young Cros head and a half peney a head for Evry young black birds head and sd heads to be Carried to the select men and sd select men give orders to the treasure for the muney this act to Continue untill August 17: 1758 ~~Recorded~~ then the foloing a Count was read and voted to be put upone record we the subscribers being appointed by the Town of Eastham to audet a Counts with mr Edward Knowls Town treasure for the year past haue accordingly this 23 Day of June 1757 Examined sd a Counts and find them well voucht and right Cast and thare is Due to sd treasure one pound nine shillings six pence 2 farthings and thare is out standing in the seuerel Constables hands 130=16=8=3

Samuel Paine
Jonathan Paine

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating lawfubly warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 29 Day of August 1757 at 2 of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse two pety Jury men to sarve at the next infeor Court and thare was Drawn out of the Box for pety Jury men robert nickerson and samuel baty Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on wedens Day the 23: Day of nouember 1757 at one of the Clock in the after noone thare was notes in sd warning to Do what may be thought proper Relateing to the keeping the Cattle and sheep out of the general field between nathaniel Atwoods and also the [illegible] mony procured by a petition to the general Court to poune Cretures found thare on or other wise as the

[illegible] shall think fit and allso to Do what shall be thought proper in a lowing the former Constables a bounty for collecting the town rate the year past mr James higgens moderater for sd meating
it was Disc[illegible] upon consarning the broken [illegible] and Dismist then the town [illegible] the former constables six pence on the pounds for collecting the town rate if sd Constables pay in and rack up with the town treasurer at or before the last of Desembar next
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clerk

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at a town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating house in Eastham on weddens day the 23 day of november 1757 at 2 of the Clock in the after noone thare was notes in sd warning to Chouse 3 pety jury men to sarue at the next infear Court at Barnstable and thare was then Drawn out of the box for pety jury men Isaac Cole Elisha smith and samuel paine Recorded pr Thomas Knowles town Clerk

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at a town meating Lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on wedensday the first of march 1758 at nine of the clock on sd Day thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse a clark select men assessors and all other town offesors as the Law Directs and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] thought proper relating a pitishon put into the ginral Court by the indins of Eastham and harwich whare in is represented that the town or proprietors of Eastham had Disposed of thare lands from whence thay used to follow the whail fishery and that thare by thay are [illegible] Distressed and allso to Do what the town shall think proper in a bating hatchels nickersons pole rate for two years past and allso to Do what shall be proper consarning nathanael Bacons rate that his brother nathanael was rated for as also Do what may be thought proper to prevent the ~~ginral~~ [illegible] cattel going in the ginral field between the widow mary [illegible] and nathanel [illegible] by a pitishon to the general Court or otherwise as thay shall think proper and allso Do what may be proper in [illegible] the way that was laid out for the use of John harding by the select men in the year 1756 in may [illegible] freeman Esqr moderater for sd meating Thomas Knowles [illegible] town [illegible] [illegible] for town Clark

[illegible] select men	James higgens Jabez Snow Zach smith
Constables	moses smith samuel snow Thomas holbrook
Town assesors	Theophilus higgens Jonathan Doane Thomas Snow
[illegible] men	James rogers Joseph pepper Joseph [illegible]
Surveyers of ways	Daniel Cole Joshua Knowles [illegible]
[illegible]	Jonathan smith [illegible] Knowles Joseph young
surveyers of bords and shingels	Joseph [illegible] Solomon [illegible]
Lother selars	[illegible] Jonathan [illegible]
[illegible]	William [illegible]ker
hog reef	Jonathan mayo Isaiah higgens George Brown
[illegible]	[illegible] paine Joseph [illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible] [illegible] smith Jr Jonathan higgens Thomas Snow Richard Sparrow

e keep the Line relating } Jonathan young
bilingat Beach } Ephraim Covel

have inspection over } Samuel Smith Esqr
ingat Beach and Island }

take care of Nosset Beach } Joseph mayo

they voted to answer the pitishon put into the ginral Cort by the [illegible] then the Town made Choyse [illegible] an agent to answer ye pitishon [illegible] Snow then voted to abate Rachal nickersons pole rate for two years past then voted that the way should be opened that the [illegible] men laid out in may 17[illegible]6 by John hedings then voted Joshua [illegible] servants pole rate should be abated he had listed in the Kings [illegible] the last summer it was discoursed upon Concerning the Cattel going in the general field betwean the widow freemans and [illegible] Daniel [illegible] and [illegible] then this meeting adjourned by a vote to wednesday the 8 of this instant march at 3 of the Clock in the after noon at time and place the Town met and the moderator not present the town made Choyse for moderator mr nathanael freeman then the Town voted that Joseph pepper and Joseph hambelton should have six shillings a peas for looking after the Children on the sabath Days for the year past then maid Choyse of Capt Jabez Snow and Samuel Doane to make up a Count with Edward Knowles Town Treasurer

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

At a Town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meeting house in Eastham on wednesday the first Day of march 1758 at 3 of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in ye warning to Chuse two grand Jury men for the insuing year and three pety Jury men to serve at the next infeor Court at Barnstable Capt Jabez Snow moderator for ye meating then the Town maid Choys for grand Jury men Joseph hambelton and Lewis Smith and for pety Jury men mr nathanael freeman [illegible] Atwood and freeman higgens

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

At a Town meating lawfully warned and held at the middle meating hous in Eastham on munday the 24 Day of April 1758 at 3 of the Clock in the after noone thare was notes in ye warning to Chouse three grand Jury men and three pety Jury men to sarve at the Supearier Court at Barnstable on the first tusday of may next Capt Jabez Snow moderater for ye meating then the Town maid Choys for grand Jury men Samuel Doane Edward Knowles and Thomas Knowles then this meating adjourned to tusday the 25 of this instant April at 12 of the Clock in ye Day by reason there being but one select man presant and could not Draw out the pety Jury men at time and place the Town met and maid Choys for pety Jury men Joseph Atkens Joseph pepper and Joseph Cole Jr

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

at a town meeting Lawfully warned and held at the middle meeting house in Eastham on munday the 15th Day of may 1758 at one of the Clock in the after noon thare was votes in warrenting to Chuse a representitive to represent the Town in the great and general Court to be holden the [illegible] at Boston upon wednesday the 31st Day of this instant may the Town then voted [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to represent the Town for the insuing year Recorded per Thomas Knowles Town Clerk

may 1758 [illegible] [illegible] Renued the bounds and [illegible] between the Town of Eastham and the Town of harwich which are as foloweth beginning at a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] set by it at the head of great [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] creek in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the sea and from the [illegible] [illegible] Southeasterly [illegible] to the water [illegible] to a stone in a Spongey place a little to the west [illegible] of Samuel [illegible] Dwelling house and from thence [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] sea

Recorded per Thomas Knowles
Town Clerk

[illegible] } Select men
[illegible] } of Eastham
Barnabas freeman } Select men
Jabez Snow } of harwich

at a town meeting lawfully warned and held at the middle meeting house in Eastham on munday the fourteenth Day of [illegible] 1758 at 2 of the Clock in the after noone thare was votes in warrant to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to the raise a sume of money which shall be thought needfull to defray the charges of the town for the year insuing allso to what shall be thought proper respecting that part of the town that is Destitude of a schoole the select men not being willing to give a Certificate [illegible] without the towns notice and allso to what shall be proper respecting those who have inlisted in the present expedition against [illegible] whether the town will order the assesors not to tax them for thare poles this year or how they shall be [illegible] [illegible] of the town [illegible] and allso to continue the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] proper John freeman [illegible] moderator [illegible]

then voted to raise one hundred pounds to defray the charges for the insuing year one half to be paid in by the last of December next the other half by the last of April next then voted the schoole shall be remoued out of the southerly part of the town into the northerly part to make up thare los of the schoole then voted that those that inlisted for the town should be abated thare poles [illegible] [illegible] and town rate then voted to continue the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

101 and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] no further

then the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] voted to be put upon record [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Town of Eastham to audit accompts [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for the year past [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Day of may 1758 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] right Cast and thare [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] pence 2d there is out Standing in the severl Constables hands the sum of one hundred pounds four shilling and seven pence 2 farthings

Jabez Snow
Samuel Doane

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

At a Town meeting Lawfully warned and held at the middle meeting hous in Eastham on wednesday the 15 of november 1758 there was notes in sd warning to do what was proper in preventing the [illegible] people in going a whaling at Billingsgate point and alls bote & person to the last town vote Mr Jonathan Doane was moderator for sd meeting and the Town Chose not to act upon the affaire then the town votes the last years Constables 8 pence on the pd for Collecting the town rate if sd Constables pay in and make up with the town treasurer on or befor the last of Desember next.

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

At a town meeting Lawfully warned and held at the middle meeting hous in Eastham on wednesday the 15 of november 1758 there was notes in sd warning to Chuse 3 pety Jury men to serve at the next inferior Court at Barnstable Jabez Freeman moderater for sd meeting and there was but one of the Select men presant and the moderater adjurnd the meeting Town to Jabez Snows and there was then drawn out of the box for pety Jury men Prince Collings Robart Snow and Grisham Cole

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

At a towne meeting Lawfully warned and held at the middel meeting hows in Eastham on the 5 Day of march 1759 ~~There~~ at ten of the Clock on sd Day Thare was notes in Sd warning to Chus towne Clarck Select men and Cunstabels and all othar towne officers as the law Direck Allso to Do what may be thought proper with Respect to the Schools in Sd ~~towne~~ if thay Can be ordered for the more generl Benefit of the Sd towne
John freeman Esq Chos modarater for Sd meeting
then maid Chois of Jabez Snow for Towne Clarck

Select men	Mr James Higgens Samell Doane Elezer Atwood	for Survaers of Hy ways	Nathanel Bacon Nathanel Smith Ezekel Harding
for Cons. atels	David Snow Jonathan Cole ~~Slinks Green~~ Samel Smith 3	for fence Vewers	Nathanel Atwood Samuel Smith
for Towne Treasuar —	Mr Edward Knowles	Survaers of Boards and Shinggels	Cpt Solomon Peper & Stephen Snow
for towne assesers	Theophilis Higgens Jonathan Doane Epharim Couel	for Leather Sealers	Josiah Seas Levi Smith
for Tiding men —	Danel Cole Jr Nathanel Cole Joseph Pirs	Dear Keef	Jonathan Mayo
		Hog Keef	Joseph Cole 3d Hatsel Necorson Thomas Dill

[illegible] | Jeremiah Smith | [illegible] | Joseph [illegible]
[illegible] | Joseph Atkins | Baker |

[illegible] Benjamin [illegible] Blair [illegible] Samuel
[illegible] John [illegible] Jonathan [illegible] Ezekiel [illegible]

then this meeting [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] of the meeting ~~then [illegible] of John Young~~ [illegible]

then met at time and plas the moderator being present
[illegible] the Dissenters concerning the going by [illegible]
[illegible] was [illegible]
said persons that thinks they [illegible]
the town Chos Samuel Smith the 3d [illegible]
[illegible] and then adjourned the meeting to [illegible] the 8th of
this instant march at two of the clock in the afternoon
at time and place met Recorded pr [illegible]
~~[illegible]~~
~~Chos mr Solomon Doane Moderator and [illegible]~~
~~the [illegible] of the [illegible]~~

At a town meeting legally warned [illegible] of the [illegible]
mr Snows in Eastham on the 5th day of march 1757 at nine of
the clock in the forenoon there was notice [illegible]
this [illegible] good and lawfull men to serve on the grand jury
at the general sessions holden at Barnstable for the insuing
yeare and also to chos three men alike [illegible] to serve on
the pety jury for tryals at sd Court of
the [illegible] of Common pleas to be holden at Barnstable [illegible]
on the third Tusday of march instant [illegible]
moderator for sd meeting then Chos for grand jury
men Benjamin Higgens the 3d and William [illegible]
for pety jury men Joshua Knowles, James [illegible] and
John Young recorded pr me Jabez Snow Town [illegible]

march the 15th at adjournment of march meeting
met to receive the Constables Return but he
did not apear the moderator being absent Chos
mr Solomon Doane moderator adjourned the meeting
to the 17 day of this instant march at the house
of Jabez Snow at 2 o'clo to receive the Constables [illegible]
and the Constable Thomas Holbrook [illegible]
by the hand of mr Samuel Doane that he [illegible]
Samuel Smith the Third to Take the oath of [illegible]
march the 17th 1757 Jabez Snow Town Clerk

At the above sd meeting on the 5th day of march 1757
102 there was Chosen to meet up with the Town
Treasurer for the yeare past Jonathan Doane
and Jabez Snow pr Jabez Snow Town Clerk

At a towne meeting Lafully warned and held
at the middel meeting hous in Eastham on tusday
~~[illegible]~~ the 24 Day of April 1759 There was notis in
said warning to chuse three grand jurymen for the superior Court
to Be holden at Barnstable on the first tusday of may next
and two pety juremen for same on the Courte of Trials at
Barnstable on the 2 tusday of may next Jonathan Doane Chosen moderator
for sd meeting and there was Chosen for gran jurers Jonathan
Doane prince Colens and Henney Knowles and for pety juremen
Capt Elisha Doane Beriah Hiegens and Heman Holbrucks —
Recorded pr Jabez Snow Town Clerck

At a Town meeting lawfully warned and held at the middle
meeting hous in Eastham on Tusday the 24th Day of April 175
at four of the Clock in the after noon There was notice in sd
warning to ~~chuse~~ three good and Lawful men qualified to serve
on the jury as the law Directs to sarve on the pety jury at the next
superior Courte to be holden at Barnstable on the second Tuesday
of may next and There was Then Drawn oute of the Box
for pety juremen Richard Atwood Ezekiel Harding
and John Sailer: Recorded pr me Jabez Snow Town Clarck

At a town meeting lawfully warned and held at the middel
meeting Hous in Eastham on the 14th Day of may 1759
there was notis in sd warning to Chuse a Representative
to presente the Town and serve the Town in the grate and
Generel Courte or assembly at Boston and the sd Town made
Chois of Mr Jonathan Doane ~~to present~~ for a Representative
to serve for the present yeare.
Recorded by me — Jabez Snow Town Clarck

At a Towne meeting in may the 14th 1759 there was notes
in the warrant to Consider and Doe what they thought proper in setting
the bounds of a lot of meadow of Mr Timothy Coles and there
was a vote to see whether the town would ~~[illegible]~~ act in
that affair or not as it stands in the negative
at sd meeting Jabez Snow & Jonathan Doane Esqr also
[illegible] they had reckoned with the Town Treasurer and
they [illegible] was in the Treasurers hands twenty three pounds fifteen
shillings and that there was outstanding in the
several Constables hands one hundred twelve pound five
shillings Recorded by me Jabez Snow Town Clerck

At a Town meeting Lawfully Warned and Held at the Middel meeting House in Eastham on munday the [illegible] day of August 1759 At two of the Clock in the afternoon there was Notis in sd warning to Rais mony to defray the Town Charges for the present yeare : then was Chose of ye [illegible] freemen for moderater and voted to Rais one Hundred pounds Lawful mony for the yous of Schools and poor and other nesesary Town Charges one Half to be paid in by the Last Desember Next and The other Half by the Last of Apral Next: ~~[illegible]~~: There was allso Notis to se whether ye Town Though proper in alowing the Laste year Constables a preiom for gathering The Town Rate the year past and Then voted to alow to the sd Constables [illegible] pence on The pound for gathering sd Rate provided that thay pay in and mack with The Town Treasurer by the Last of Desember Next — — — —

Recorded By me Jabez Snow Town Clark ——

At a Town meeting Lawfully warnd and Held at the middel meeting House in Eastham on munday the [illegible] Day of November 1759 There was Notis in sd warrent to Chus three good and Lawful men to serve on the petty Jury at the next Inferior Court at Barnstable on the first Tuesday of December next and there was drawd out of the box to serve at sd Court Richard [illegible]
Cornelius Hamblen
Isaac Brown —

Recorded by me Jabez Snow Town Clark

~~At a Town meeting Lawfully warnd and Held at the middle meeting House in Eastham~~

At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Eastham January the 7 day 1760 Regularly warned ~~[illegible]~~ there was Notis in sd warning to Chus an agent to joine with the ~~to joine with the~~ agents of the other Towns in the County of Barnstable to put in a petition to the general Court to Lesen the number of the Courts in the County of Barnstable : and the sd Town then Chose Capt Solomon Cooper for moderater at sd meeting and Mr
103 Jonathan Doane agent to prefer a petition to the General Court or joine with the other agents in the several Towns in the County of Barnstable to shorten the Courts of Common pleas and general sessions of the peace at Barnstable attested Edward Knowls Town Clark for sd meeting : the above transcribed by me — Jabez Snow Town Clarck

at a town meeting Lawfully warnd and Held at the middel meeting house in Eastham on the 4 day of march 1760 at 9 of The Clock in the day there was voted in the warrante to Chues 2 gran gur meen for the yeare and to Serve in the Severall Corts of General Sessions to be holden at Barnstabel this present yeare and allso to Chus 3 men to serve on the petty juren at the next inferior Coorte of Common pleas to be Holden at Barnstabel on the third tusday of march next ~ mr Richeard Sparow Chos moderator Then Chos for gran jure men

James Snow
and Elenaser Atwood

and for petty juremen

Jonathen Sparow
Gidion freemen
Thomas Roggers

Recorded by me — John Snow Town Clarck

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at a towne meeting warnd and held at the middil meeting hous in Eastham on the 4th of march 1760 at teen of the Clock in the day there was voted in the warning to Chus Town Clarck and Town Treasuer and Select men and Constabels and all other towne offesers as the law directs for the yeare insuing and allso to do what may Be thought proper in Resuming the voate that paste in town for keeping two Scule masters for three years and allso to do what may Be thought proper in tacking of the pols of the solders That was Rated in the yeare 1759 That are in the Servis and Them That are Returned Home and allso to do what is thought proper in setting of Joseph Smith iunr Sons Rate Rate That was Raised in the yeare 1759 and allso for the Town to do what is thought proper to be dun with Respect to the pore sick peple in the north parte of The Town namly Joshua Lepers es family and Samuel Pars and Joseph Sucomb —

The Towne then proseeded and Chose for moderator John Freeman Esqr

and for Towne Clarck John Snow

and for Town Treasurer Deacon Edward Knowles

for Select men	Eleser Atwood william Knoles Joseph Cole	leather Sealers	Jonathan Higgens John freeman
for Cunstabels	Joshua Doane Barnabas freeman Ezacel Hubbards	peace keeps	william Nikerson Jeremiah mayo
for Town assesers	Theophelus Higgens Jonathan Doane Ephraim Couch	Hog reefs	Edmond Doane Beriah Higgens william Lewis
for Tithing men	Nathanell mayo jur henri Smith thomas Higgens jur	pound Kepers	Jeremiah Smith Joseph Atkens
for Survayers of wayes	Samuel Higgens jur Samuel Smith jur Joseph pirce	to Keep the Sand for Belingsgate Beach	Ephraim Couch Jonathan young
for fence viewers	Amos Knowles Nath Atwood Richard Arey	for Horset Beach	Joseph mayo
for Survayers of Boards and Shinggels	Solomon Peper Edward Knowles	for ale giv… men Samuel Smith Esq Jonathan Higgens	
		william Knowles Eleneser Nathanel	 Higgens freeman

at the a Bove sed meeting it was considered what was Best to Be Dun as to the Scules wheather the Town will Resume the voate that was past for keeping Two Scool masters for three years and it past in the negetife: and at sd meeting it was allso considered wheather the Town will back of the pole Rate the Soldiers was Taxed in the yeare 1759 and it was put to a voate by the moderator and it past in the negetive ~~it was allso~~ It was allso put to voate wheather the Town will abate Joseph Smith Sons pole Rate that he was Taxed in the Rate Bills in the yeare 1759: and

104 and it past in the negetive: and It was allso Considered by the Town what should be Dun as to the poor Sick in the North parte of sd Town namly Joshua pierces family Joseph Newcumb & Samuel Pers and it was then voted that the Select men

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clerk still go on to provid for the sick peopels according to there best discretion. Both for the the supporte of the sick and to the best [illegible] of the Town and the meeting was a jorned to wedness day the 19 day of this instente march recorded per me Jaber Snow Towne Clark

on the 19 day of march according to ajornmente then meet at time and plas to Receive the returns of the Constabels and the sd Constabels mad no objections and the Town allso Chos for a Commity to mack up with the Town Treasrer Samuel Deane and Jaben Snow and to mack returns to the Town at there next meeting & recorded by me Jabez Snow

Town Clark

at a Town meeting [illegible] on the 21 day of aprel 17[illegible] [illegible] in sd warning [illegible] three men for grand jurers to serve on the grand jure at the next superior Corte to be holden at [illegible] on the first [illegible] of may next and three pete jurers to serve at the same Corte

and allso three pety jurer men to serve on the petit jurer at the next Cort of jenerel sessions of the peces and at the next Cort of Common plees to be holden at Bernnastabel on the second of may next

The Town then Chos for moderator Mr Samuel Deane and for grand jurers [illegible] Knowles Deacon [illegible] Knowles and Samuel Deane to serve on the same Corte and for pety jure men to serve on the superior Corte as [illegible] at Bernstabel [illegible] Higgens Ebenezer [illegible] and Philip Higgens and for pety jure men [illegible] to be holden at Bernstabel on the second tuesday of may next [illegible] Joseph Smith [illegible] and Joseph Cole [illegible]

recorded by me Jabez Snow Town Clark

At a Town meeting lafully warnid and held at the middl
meeting Hows in Eastham on the 14th Day of may 1760
there was notis in sd warning to Chus a Representative
to Represente the Town at the Grate and Generel —
Coorte at Boston the yeare ensuing and allso to
do what mought be Though proper in Keeping the
Scales for the futuer then voted to defer the matter
for further Considerration allso to do what the —
Town though fit in Facking of David Browns pole
Rate the yeare past: mr Joseph Smith Beilly
Chos moderater for sd meeting the Town then Chos —
mr Silvenus Snow to Represent the Town at the grate
and generel Coirt to be holden at Boston the yeare —
ensuing: and allso the Town voted that sd David Browns
pole Rate should be abated Recorded by me —
Jabez Snow Town Clerck

Eastham June the 9th 1760 we the subscriber
Being Legully met to Run the line Between
the Town of Eastham and the Town of Trurow —
and Have each marcked the Bounds trees as
witnes our Hand — —

Mulfory Snow } select men of Trur
Jonathan paine }

Joseph Cole } select men
and Thomas Higgins } of Easthem
apinted by the
select men of Eastham

at a town meeting warned according to law at the
middel meeting house In Eastham on the 22d day
of July: 1760 to select the Box of juries according
to the late act, also to do what might be thought proper
in taking of the soulders poole money that Inlisted In
the year 1759, and to do what might be thought proper
In Keeping the scool or scools for the future, and allso
to Raise money to pay the town scools and other nessesarey
Charges for the present year; and allso to do what might be
thought proper In takeing sum care of mr: Joshua Higgens
John Freeman Esq: was Chosen moderator
Theophilus Higgens samuel Deane Willard Knowles
Joseph Cole jur: and Elezer Atwood was then Chosen a
committe to select the tickets In the jurers box
the vote then past in the negetive Respecting the soulders
hole poole money that went out in the year: 1759
then voted that the soulders that went out in the year: 1759
for their own Companies should draw out of the tax money
Raised in the town for the year: 1760: somuch as their pole
tax In the town Rate now stands
the town then voted not to act any thing Respecting the
scool at present
the town then Excepted the Report of the Committe that
maid up with the town trasurer in the year: 1760
the town then voted to Raise one hundred and sixty pounds
Lawfull money upon Pools and Estates In the town of East
ham to pay scools masters and other nessesarey Charges
arising in sd town, the one halfe of sd sum to be paid in
to the town treasurer by the last of november next and the
the other halfe by the last of aprel In the year: 1761
Recd by me Richard Sparrow town clarck for the above meeting

at a town meeting warned according to Law at the
middle meeting house in Eastham on the first day of
Septr 6 1760 there was nales in said warning to
Chuse three Good and Lawfull men to serve on the
petit jury at the next Court of General sessions of
the peace on the third tuesday of September at barnstabl
the town then Chose Esq John Freeman
moderator for said meeting and there was drawn
for petit jurymen

David Snow
Elisha Linnell
Edmond ~~[illegible]~~
Doane

Recorded by me ~~[illegible]~~ Edward Knowles
town Clark for said meeting

at a town meeting in Eastham on monday the 22 day ~~the~~ of Septembe 1760 at two of the Clock in the after noon notes in sd waring to Chuse a town Clark and also to Consider the Constables for gathering the town Rate the year past Esq John freeman was Chosen moderator for sd meeting and Edward Knowles was Chosen town Clark voted that the Constables Should be alowed 8 pence on the pound for gathering the town Rate they macking up with the treasury by the Last day of December next

Recorded by me Edward Knowles town Clark

at a town meeting in Eastham the 2[illegible] of December 1760 there was notis in said warning to draw out three men for pettit juremen to serve at the Common pleas to be holden at Barnstable the first tuesday of December next then the tickets ware drawn and the ~~men~~ names that ware drawn was: Jesse Cole Samll mayo and Elisha [illegible]

Recorded by me Edward Knowles town Clark

at a town meeting on Eastham on monday 2 day of march 1761 and there was Notice in said warning to Chuse two men to serve on the grand jury at the Court of general sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable on the third tusday of march next and at the several Courts in the year ensuing and three men to serve on the petit jury for tryals at said next Cort of Common pleas to be holden at Barnstable on the third tusday of march next and there was Chosen for grand jury men Thomas Rogers Elezer atwood and there was drawn out of the Box for petit jury men Isaac Sparrow Solomon Doane jr and Solomon Snow Esq John freeman moderator

Recorded by me Edward Knowles Town Clerk

at a town meeting ~~in~~ at the midel meeting house in Eastham on monday the 2 day of march 1761 at nine a Clock in the forenoon warned to mak Choyce of town officers for the following year as the Law directs and also to see if the town will mack good their agremant that mr Thomas Paine Clames was maid with him by the former select men Respecting his pol tax and also for the town to consider whether they will keep more then one town scool after the time is out that has been voted [illegible] ~~two~~ John freeman Esq Chosen moderator for sd meeting then were Chosen for town officers as followeth

Edward Knowles for town Clark and town treasurer for the present year

[illegible] Cole
William Knowles
106 Samll Smith Jr

[illegible] Higgins
Jonathan Young
Ephraim [illegible]

[illegible] Cook
[illegible]
[illegible] Doane
[illegible]
[illegible]

Select men

Assessors

[illegible]

[illegible]

tything
Jesse [illegible]
John Snow
Thomas Higgins Jr

[illegible] drivers
Jonathan Smith
[illegible] Higgins
[illegible]

Leather sealers
Joshua Hopkins
Levi Smith
John Frasher

Surveyors
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Young
Stephen Snow Jr
Jonathan Young

[illegible] men
Richard Sparrow
[illegible] Higgin
Samll [illegible]
Samll Smith Jr
Amos Knowles

to keep the Law at Nauset Beach
Joseph Mayo

hog Rives
Elisha Young
Jesse [illegible]
Samll [illegible]

pound keepers
Richard [illegible]
George Brown
Joseph [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
John [illegible]
Ephraim [illegible]
Jonathan [illegible]
[illegible]

warritens to Keep the Law Relating to the Lords day Eleazer freeman Samuel doane Joshua [illegible]

voted at sd meeting to alow mr thomas paine his Clames as one man of the former school men voted to Keep but one School after the Expiration of the three years is Expired voted that [illegible] doane Simeon doane to mack up accompts with the town treasurer then this meeting was ajourned to tusday the 10 day of march at one a Clock in the afternoon then met at time and place the moderater being present Release Isaac Cole being Constable and Chose Daniel Cole Constable to serve in his Room and release hezekiah doane from being Constable and Chose Jonathan hiller Constable in his Room Recorded pr me Edward Knowles Town Clerk

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At a town meeting in Eastham the 21 day of april 1761 warned to Chose three Grand Jurie men and three petit Jurie men for the Superior Court of Judicature Court of assize and Generall Goal Deliver to be holden at Barnstable for the County of Barnstable and Dukes County on the first tusday of may next then Chose for moderator mr Samuel doane and then was Drawn for petit Jurie men Solomon doane Stephen Snow Juner and John doane and for Grand Jurie men Silvanus Snow and william myrick and Ebenezer atwood
Recorded by me Edward Knowles Town Clerk

At a town meeting in Eastham the 10 day of may 1761 warned according to Law at the middle meeting house notice in said worning to Chuse a Representative and also to Chuse agents to agree with the agents of harwich Respecting the Rating the Real Estate Lying in Each town where the owner Dwells in the other town and also to consider and Do what the town shall think proper in abating the pole tax of the Solders that went into the service in the year 1760 under Capt west and also for the town to Consider william atwood in his Charge of the Smal pox in his family Last winter John freeman Esq Chosen modrater for said meeting the town then Chose mr Jonathan doane to Represent the town at the great and General Court at Boston the year Insuing voted at sd meeting to Chuse two ~~for~~ agents to agree with harwich agents the town Chose Richard Sparrow and Theophilus higgins to be their agents to agree with harwich agents in Rating the Real Estate in Each town the vote was Called whether the town would abate the Solders pol tax and it past in the negative voted to allow william atwood Six pound towards paying the Charge of the Smal pox in his familey Last winter
Recorded by me Edward Knowles Town Clerk

At a town meeting in Eastham the 5 day of June 1761 warned according to Law [illegible] notice in sd worning Chose an agent or agents to Divide fence with harwich agents by Skaket River or otherwise to do what may be thought proper to prevent Creters

going on harwich flats or sheage ground and the town
made of Capt Pepper moderater: and for agents to agree
with the harwich agent to divide fence or other wise &c to
what may be thought proper to be don to prevent Creatures
going on harwich flats or Sheage ground Capt Pepper ~~& micajah [illegible]~~
Record by me Edward Knowles Town Clerk

at a town meeting in Eastham at the middle meeting house the
10 day of August an dom 1761 worned as the Law directs notice
in said worning to Raise money to pay the town school and to
support the poor and all other neseseray charges for the
present year and also to Consider the Constabels for gathering
the town Rate the year past John Freeman Esq moderator
for sd meeting voted to Raise one hundred and twenty pound
for the use above on polls and estates sd voted at sd meeting that one third
part should be paid by the Last of november and ~~[illegible]~~ one
third by the last of april and the other third by the last
of december and that Constable that failes in either
of these payments shall Loose the Bounty for that ~~third~~
part that he fails in the town then rec^d of the Committee the Report
that was chosen to mak up with the town treasurer in the year
1761 voted ~~at~~ to alow the Constables eight pence in the pound
if they mak up an settle accounts with the treasurer by
the Last day of december next

we the subscribers being chosen agents by the Town of Harwich and the Town of
Eastham to agree on sd Towns behalf how and where the Inhabitants of Either
of sd Towns should be assessed for the Real Estate which any of the said
Inhabitants own and are possest of not lying in either of sd towns which
they Live in or are an Inhabitant of we have accordingly considered fairly
with the Circumstances and quantity thereof and have mutuly agree that the
Town of harwich shall for the future asses all the Inhabitants of sd town for
all the Real Estate they own and posses Lying in the Township of said Eastham
and also they shall assess the Real Estate that Capt Elisha Doane of Eastham
now owns in the town of harwich and also that the town of harwich pay
yearly out of their Treasury one shilling and four pence and farthing
in the hundred in their hole tax to the town of Eastham and that the town of
Eastham shall assess all the Inhabitants of sd town for all the Real Estate
they own in harwich Excepting what Capt Elisha Doane now owns this
agreement to Continue till Either party shall see cause to brake it and
give the other party four months worning In witness whereof we have here
unto set our hands this 30 day of July 1761

Richard Sparrow
Theophilus Higgins
William Freeman
Jabez Snow

Recorded by me Edward Knowles Town Clerk

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at a town meeting at the middle meeting house in Eastham on monday the 13 day of
november [illegible] to choose [illegible] men as petit jurers
at the next Inferior Court of Common ~~pleas~~ pleas to be holden at
Barnstable on the first tuesday of December next and there was
drawn out for petit jury men Isaiah higgins Benjamin higgins
and Nathaniel Linkerson
Recorded by Edward Knowles Town Clerk

at a Precinct meeting in Eastham on monday the [illegible] 1761 at the north meeting house in order to chose precinct officers for the insueing year as the law directs and also to do what may be thought proper in abating the poll tax of the [illegible] for their own Companies in the 1759 as they stood taxed in the Bill that year [illegible] was chosen precinct Clark and Nathaniel Freeman precinct Treasurer Theophilus higgins Jonathan [illegible] [illegible] Sparrow assessors and for precinct Committe theophilus higgins Jonathan [illegible] Richard Sparrow voted to abate the Soldiers poll tax that went out in the year 1759 for their own Companies as they stood tax in the Bill that year Joshua [illegible] Josiah Sears was chosen to mack up with the Treasurer

Recorded by me Edward Knowles precinct Clark

at a precinct meeting in Eastham on monday the tenth day of August 1761 at the north meeting house in said precinct notice in said warning to raise money to support the publick worship of God in said precinct and all other necessary charges arising within the same and also to confirm the Constables for gathering the precinct Rate the year past the precinct met at time and place and chose Mr Nathaniel Freeman moderator for said meeting the precinct then grated to Raise one hundred and fifty pound on the pols and Estates for the use above said one third part to be paid into the precinct Treasurer by the first day of november and one third by the Last day of april and the other third by the Last day of December 1762 voted that mr Joshua Cane Robert Snow Should be the men to procure wood for the minister the precinct then excepted the Report of the committe that was chosen to make up acounts with the precinct Treasurer in the year 1761

Recorded by me Edward Knowles precinct Clerk

At a town meeting in Eastham on monday the 25th of January 1762 at the midle meeting house at one of the Clock in the afternoon notice in said warning to do what the town shall think proper in keeping a town school or schools for English Learning till s^d town shall have a gramer ~~master~~ school and also for s^d town to vote that the charges of s^d school or schools shall be paid out of the town Treasury John Freeman Esq chosen moderator for said meeting voted at s^d meeting that the select men should hire a man to keep the town school till they can hire a gramer school master and to pay him out of the Town Treasury

Recorded by me Edward Knowles precinct Clerk

a precenct meetings wern and Held of then
north meeting House in sd South precenct on
the 4th Day of march 1760 at Three of the Clock
in the after nune there was voted in sd warant
to Chus a precenct Clarck and treasuer and all other
precenct offesers as the Law Directs the precenct
then Chus Capt Solomon Peper moderater
for sd meeting and mad Chois for precenct Clarck
m ~~Elithenal freeman for treasuer~~ Jabez Snow
and for precenct treasuer mr Elithenal freeman
and for precenct Sessers — Jonathan Doane
— — — — Theopholus Higgens
and for precenct Comeattey Richard Sparow

Jonathan Doane
Theopholus Higgens
and Richard Sparow

and to mack up with the precenct treasuer
Capt Solomon peper and mr Theopholus Higgens
Recorded by me Jabez Snow precenct Clarck

At a precenct meeting of the South Presinct in Eastham
warnto according to law on the 22 day of July 1760
to Raise money to pay Presinct Charges nathanel
freeman wa Chosen moderater for sd meeting
the Precinct then voted to Raise one hundred and
ninety five pounds Lawful money on poles and Estate
to Support the Preaching of the Gospele and other nessesary
Charges arising in sd presinct the one halfe to be paid
in to the Precinct treasurer by the last of November
next and the other halfe by the last of Aprel in the year 1761
the precenct then Excepted the Report of the Committe
that mad up with the Precenct treasurer in the year 1760
Recorded by me Richard Sparrow precenct Clarck for the
above meeting

at a precienct meeting in the South precienct in Eastham on
monday the 22 day of September 1760 at the north meeting house in
sd precienct at three of the Clock in the after noon there
was notes sd worning to Chose a precienct Clark and also to do
what may be thought proper in alowing the Constables for
gathering the precienct rates the year past then [illegible]
Joseph Smith was Chosen moderater for sd meeting and [illegible]
Knowles was Chosen precienct Clark voted at said meeting
to alow the Constabels Eight pence on the pound they
making up with the treasurer by the Last day of December next
Recorded by me Edward Knowles precienct Clark

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] for the insuing yeare.

[illegible] assessors [illegible]	Theophalus Higgens [illegible] and [illegible]	[illegible]

Recorded by me John [illegible] precinct [illegible]

At a prescent meeting warnd and held at the north meeting Hous in the south precinct in Eastham on monday the 14th Day of August 1759 At Three of the Clock in the after noon and thare was voted in sd warning to rais mony to defray the present charg for the present yeare as also to [illegible] be thought proper in [illegible] the [illegible] Constabels for gathering the precinct Rate this present yeare: Sqr John Freeman Chos moderater then voted to Ras one hundred and fifty pounds lawfull mony to defray the precinct charge one half to be paid in by the Laste of November nese and the other half to be paid in by the laste of april next: also voted to alow the the sd Constabls Eight pence on the pound for gathering the precinct Rate provided they mack up with the treasurer by the time set in sd vote at sd meeting. Theophalus Higgens and Josiah Seas a Commetty to mack up and audit accounts with mr Nathanel Freeman precinte treasurer Brought in there reporte as folloes: this 5th day of march 1759 Examened sd accompts and find them well voucht and right caste and we find in sd treasurers hands three pounds Eight shillings one penny one farthing to [illegible] and we find outstanding in the general Constabels hands one hundred forty five pounds Eight shillings and seven pence.

Recorded by me Jabez Snow precint clerk

[illegible]

the [illegible]

present [illegible] and all other present officers as the law direct for the insuing year ~~and allso~~ [illegible] also to what may be thought proper to secure the glass of the meeting house from flying away [illegible] [illegible] for the meeting then this meeting adjourned to [illegible] the 4 of [illegible] at 2 of the clock in the afternoon at time and place the present met and voted [illegible] present Thomas Knowles and present treasure mr nathaniel freeman

4 years { Jonathan Doane
Nicholas Higgens
Richard Sparrow

[illegible] { Jonathan Doane
Nicholas [illegible]
Richard Sparrow

vote the present committe should procure four boards for the windos of the meeting house then voted [illegible] Solomon Pepper and Joseph Smith Jr to reckon with mr nathaniel freeman present treasure 601

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clerk

at a present meeting lawfully warned and held at the north meeting hous in so present on munday the fourteenth day of August 1758 at 1 of the clock in the afternoon [illegible] voted in so warning to raise a sume of money to support the preaching of the gospel in a meeting as also to defray all other necessary charges arising in so present the insuing year Edward Freeman Esq moderator [illegible] then voted to raise one hundred and fifty pounds one half to be paid in by the last of november next the other half by the last of April next then voted that Israel [illegible] should procure the firewood for mr Crocker and [illegible] Higgens to procure the firewood for mr Cheever then the following [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ voted to be sent upon [illegible] we the subscribers being apointed by the south present of Eastham to inspect accounts with nathaniel freeman present treasure have accordingly this 17 day of march 1759 examined so accounts and find them well [illegible] only in one cast we find in the so treasurer hands to pay out two shillings and 6: ~~pence~~ we allso find out standing in the several Constables hands one hundred thirty two pounds seventeen shillings and 6: pence

Solomon Pepper
Joseph Smith Jr

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clerk

a present meating lawfully warned and held at the north meeting hous in so present on wensday the 15 of novembar 1758 there was [illegible] voted in so warning to do what may be thought proper in allowing the last years constables for collecting the present rate mr Jonathan Doane moderator for so meeting then the present voted the several Constables 8 pence on the pound for collecting the present rate if so Constables pay in and make up with the present treasure on or before the last of December next Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clerk at a presint meating [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] meating hous in the south precint in easthams on tuesday the first Day of march 1757 at 3: of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd warning to Chuse a present Clark present treasure and all other presint offesars for the insuing yeer John freeman esqr moderater for sd meeting then mand Choys of

Thomas Knowles } presint Clark

presint treasure } mr nathaniel freeman Jr

presint assesers } Jonathan Doane
Theofulas higgens
richard sparrow

presenct Commety } Jonathan Doane
Theofulas higgens
richard sparrow

voted that Theofulas higgens and Josiah sears should mak up a Count with mr nathaniel freeman present treasure

Recorded per Thomas Knowles present Clark

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at a presint meating lawfully warned and held at the north meating hous in sd presint on wednes Day the 17 Day of August 1757 at 3 of the Clock in the after noon thare was notes in sd warning to raise muney to support the preaching of the gospel a mung us and other nees sary Charges arising in sd presint the year insuing mr nathaniel freeman moderater for sd meating then voted to raise one hundred and fifty pounds one half to be paid in by the last of novemb next the other half by the last of April next then voted solomon Doane to procure the fire wood for mr Cheever then voted that mr nathaniel freeman should procure fire wood for mr Crocker
then the fowlowing a Count was read and voted to be put on record we the subcribers being appointed by the south presint in eastham to audit a Counts with mr nathaniel freeman Jr present treasure for the year past have accordingly this 14 Day of march 1757 examined sd a Counts and find them well voucht and right Cast and we find sd treasure has paid outh 1=18=5=1 more then he has recevid and we find out standing in the sevrel Cunstables hands 5:126-11=11 Theophilus higgens
Josiah sears

Recorded pr ~~Thomas~~ Knowles present ~~[illegible]~~ Clar

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at a presint meating lawfully warned and held at the north meating hous in sd presint on wednes Day the 23 Day of novembr 1757 at 3 of the Clock in the after noone thare was notes in sd warning to Do what may be thought proper in a lowing the former Cunstables a [illegible] for collecting the present rate [illegible] voted mr James higgens moderater for sd meating then the presint voted the several former Cunstables six pence in the pound for Collecting the present rate of [illegible] pay in and mak up with the present treasure at or before the last of Decemb next Recorded per [illegible] Knowles present Clar at a present meeting of the south present in Eastham on munday the 8 Day of march 1756 at the north meating hous in sd present there was notes in sd warning to chose a present Clark present Treasure and all other present ofesers Deacon Jonathan higgens moderater for sd meating thare was then Chosen for present Clark Thomas Knowles and present

Treasure } Mr nathaniel freeman gr

present assesers { richard sparrow
Theofulas higgens
Jonathan Doane

present Commety { Theofulas higgens
richard sparrow
Jonathan doane

at the a bove sd meating maid Coys of Joseph smith gr and Theophelas higgens to make up a Conots with Mr nathaniel freeman gr present treasure 011

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clark

at a present meating (~~August [illegible]~~

at a present meating in the south present in Eastham at the north meating hous [illegible] on munday the [illegible] day of August 1756 at [illegible] of the clock in the afternoon there was [illegible] ning to raise money to support the preaching of the gospel among us and other neserary charges arising this present [illegible] higgens moderater for sd meating then voated to raise one hundred and fifty pounds half to be paid in by the last of [illegible] next the other half by the last of [illegible] then voated the several Constables [illegible] the [illegible] for collecting the present with the last year [illegible] with the present Treasure [illegible] of December next then Chose [illegible] higgens [illegible] for Mr [illegible] then [illegible] of Mr nathaniel freeman to [illegible] Mr [illegible] Recorded per Thomas Knowles present [illegible]

the following voted to be put upone record

we the subscribers being appointed by the south present in Eastham to make up acounts with Mr nathaniel freeman present treasure for the year past have accordingly this 22 day of march 1756 [illegible] and right [illegible] and find in sd treasures hands three pounds thirteen shillings and one penny also we find out standing in the several Constables hands [illegible] nineteen pounds fourteen shillings 6 pence one farthing Theophilus higgens
Joseph smith jur

Recorded per Thomas Knowles present Clark

at a presint meating meating in the south precint in Eastham on munday the 10: day of march 1755 at the north meating hous at 3 o clock there was voted in sd warning to chuse a precint clarck and presint treasure and all other present ofisers as the law directs
Mr Jonathan Doane moderater for sd meating
there was then chosen for precint Clar Thomas Knowles

for precint treasure } ~~[illegible]~~
nathaniel freeman

present assesers } theofulas higgens
Jonathan Doane
Richard sparrow

present commety } Ebenezar higgens
Edward Knowles
theofulus higgens
Jonathan Doane
Richard sparrow

at the above sd meating maid choys of ~~John freeman esqr~~ and theofulas higgens to mak up acounts with Mr nathaniel freeman Jr present treasure

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles precint Clark

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at a presint meating lawfully warned and held at the north meating hous in the South presint in Eastham on munday the 18 of August 1755 at 3 of the Clock in the after noon there was voted in sd warning to raise muney to support the preaching the gospel amung us and other nesesary Charges arising in sd presint and all so to Doe what may be proper in alowing the severl Cunstables there bounty for Collecting the presinct rat the last year John freeman Esqr moderater for sd meating then voted to raise one hundred and fifty five pounds on the poles and Estates of the ratable inhabitanc of the south presint in Eastham one half to be paid in to the presint treasure by the last of Desember next the other half by the last of Aprel next then voted the severl Cunstables three pence on the pound for Collecting the presint rate if sd Cunstables pay in and mak up with the present treasure on or before the last of Desember next then maid Choys of Seth Knowles to procure fire wood for Mr Croker then maid Choys of Samuel Doane Jr to procure fire wood for Mr Cheever

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles ~~[illegible]~~ presint Clar

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the fowling voted to be put upon record we the subscribers being appointed by the south presint in Eastham to audit acounts with Mr nathaniel freeman Jr present treasure for the year past have accordingly this twenty fourth day of march 1755 examoned sd acounts and find them well [illegible] and rite cast and we find in sd treasurers hands nine pounds five shillings two pence and two fardings and allso there is out standing in the severl Cunstables hands one hundred fifty ten pounds nine shillings and teen pence

John freeman
theophilus higgens

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles presint Clark in and make up with the present [illegible] sum on or before the last of Desember next 0/,011

then voated that the Revd Mr Crockers and Mr Cheners salery be and hear by are stated at sixty pounds lawful muney to each of them annually so long as they [illegible] respectively continue in the ministry among us they accepting thare of and signefying the same under thare hands in this meating and the same is to be under stood in lue of the muney they ware to have had yearly by varty of any and all former voats or contracts Mr Crockers salery to commence the 27 of last aprel Mr Cheners the 14 of last may the above voted by us

Eastham august 5: 1754

Joseph Crocker
Edward Chener

after being voated by the present the Revrd Mr Crocker and Mr Chener signd the voat as followeth
we the subscribars accept of the sum voated a bove as thare in exprest as witnes our hands

Joseph Crocker
Edward Chener

then voated and maid choys of Deacon Jonathan higgens to procure the fier wood for Mr Crocker as yeusel and [illegible] Ebnezar higgens to procur fier wood for Mr Chener

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clar

at the a bove sd meeting the foulloing account was read in the meeting and voated to be put uppone Record

we the subscribars being a committy appointed to audit accounts with Mr nathaniel freeman Jr present treasurer for the year past have accordingly this 19: Day of march 1754 examened sd accounts we find them well vouched and right cast and we find in sd treasurers hands sixteen pounds four pence 3 farthings and thare is out standing in in the severl constables hands ninty eaight pounds fifteen shillings and one penny

Eastham march 19: 1754

Theophilus higgens
Josiah Sears

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clar

and at the a for said meating the [illegible] a count was [illegible]
in the meating and voted to be put upon record
we the subscribers being appointed by the south precinct in Eastham
to make counts with mr nathaniel freeman jr present treasurer
for the year past have accordingly this 16: Day of may 1753
examened said acounts and find them well [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] in said treasurer hands five pounds thirteen shilling
[illegible] seven pence 2 farthings and also thare is out standing in the
[illegible] hands forty six pounds thirteen shillings
one seven pence three farthings

John freeman
[illegible] Doane jr

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clerk

at a present meating lawfully warned and held at the south
precinct in Eastham at the north meating hous in said precinct
on munday the 11: of march 1754 at 3 of the clock on said Day
thare was notes in said warning to chuse a presint clark and
presint treasurer and all other presint ofesars for the present
year mr Richard Sparrow moderator for said meating thare was
chosen for a presint Clark Thomas Knowles

then maid choys of theophilus Higgins and Josiah Sears
to make up acounts with nathaniel freeman jr
presint treasure

presint treasurer nathaniel freeman jr

presint assesers
Jonathan Doane
Theophilus higgens
Richard sparrow

presint Commety
Jonathan Doane
Theophilus higgens
Richard sparrow

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles presint Clark

a present meating of the south present in Eastham
on munday the 5: of August 1754 at 3 of the Clock in
said Day at the north meating hous thare was notes in said warning to raise muney
to support the preaching of the gospel amungst us
and other neserary charges for the year insuing and also
to [illegible] the cunstables for collecting the present rate
this year and allso to do what shall be proper about
stateing our minestars salery
John freeman Esqr moderator for said meating
then voted to raise one hundred and seventy five
pounds to support the publick worship of god and other
neserary charges arising in said present then voated the
several constables thre pence on the pound for collect-
ing the present rate this year if said constables pay

and at the aforesd meating in August ye 1752 the foullowing
a Count was broght in and read and voted viz
we the Subscribers Being appointed by the South precent
in Eastham to audiate acounts with Mr nathaniel freeman Jr
present treasure for the year past have accordingly this 24
Day of march 1752 Examined sd accounts and find them well
voucht and right Cast and we find in sd treasurer hands
seven pounds Eleven shillings and four pence and also
thare is out standing in the severel Constables hands
fifty four pounds fourteen shillings two pence three
farthings
Theophilus higgens
Joseph smith Jr

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles precent Clark

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at a precent meating in the south precent in Eastham on
munday the twelth of march 1753 at the north meating hous
in sd precent at 3 of the Clock in the afternoon thare was notes
in sd warning to Chose a precent Clark and precent treasure
and all other precent ofesors as the Law Directs
Mr Joseph smith Chosen moderater for sd meating
thare was then Chosen for precent Clark } Thomas Knowls
Then Chose Deacon John
freeman and samuel ~~freeman~~
Doane Jr to make up acounts
with Mr nathaniel freeman
precent treasure
precent treasure } mr nathaniel freeman Jr
precent assesers } Jonathan Doane
Theofulus higgens
richard sparrow
precent Comuty } Jonathan Doane
Theofulus higgens
richard sparrow

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles precent Clar

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at a precent meating in the south precent in Eastham on munday
the 13 of august 1753 at the north meating hous in sd precent at 3
of the Clock on sd day thare was notes in sd warning to raise munney
to support the gospel thare and also to a low the severel constables
for gathering the present right last year Esqr John freeman moderator for
sd meating then voted to raise one hundred and sixty pounds one
half to be paid in by the last of Desember next the other half by the
last of april next then voted and Chouse for to procure the wood for
ye minister Mr Elisezar higgens and for Mr Croker samuel higgens Jr
then voted John Doane and James higgens former Constables three
pence on the pound for gathering thare present rate if sd Constables
pay in and make up with the present treasure on or before the last of
Desember next Recorded pr Thomas Knowles precent Clar

at a present one meeting [illegible] at the north
meeting hous in so present on thursday the 10: of march 1752 at [illegible]
of the clock in the after noon there was votes in a warning to chuse
a present clark and a present treasure and all other present [illegible]
for this present year as the law directs Deacon [illegible]
Chosen moderator for so meeting then maid Choys for

present Clar } Thomas Knowles

for present treasure } nathaniel freeman

for present assesers { Jonathan Doane
Thomas snow
theopilus higgens

for present Commety { Jonathan Doane
Thomas snow
theopilus higgens

then voated that Deacon Jonathan higgens & mr william [illegible] should be a Commety to setel bounds between the minesterial land and the proprieters in the south part of so present

then voated that voated that Ebinezar higgens should have 5 & 4 lawful money for his trouble in Changing hamshshire and Connatiut money that was formerly raised for the settlement of a minestor in the north parrish in so present

then voated that Theopulas higgens and Joseph smith jr should mak up acounts with nathanael freeman present treasure then voated to Ebinezar higgens 2=0=0 for what he a lowed to excang tho a bove so money

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clark

at a present meeting at the ~~south~~ ^at the north meeting hous in^ present in Eastham on tusday the 11: of august 1752 there was votes in a warning to raise money to support the pubblick worship of god in so present and all so to do what may be proper in a lowing the Constables for gathering the present rates the last year and to Chose men to provid fier wood for our minestars this present year

Capt Jabez snow moderater for so meeting then voated to raise one hundred and fifty pounds one half to be paid in by the last of Desember next the other half by the last of Aprul next then voated the sevrel Constables 3 pence on the pound for gathering the last years present rate if so Constables pay in and make up with the present treasure on or before the last of Desember next voated Israel mays to precure fire wood for mr Crocker voated Ebinezar higgens to provid fire wood for mr Cheney

Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clark

who was Chosen by the yearly [illegible] Called quakers of our soci
ety belonging to our meeting at [illegible]th to examin our frin
ds [illegible] of Anthony [illegible] of his principles
and we the sd John Kelley and Seth Kelley have acc
ordingly examined the sd Anthony [illegible] and we the sd
John Kelley and Seth Kelley who are and Called our
selves the people Called quakers Conclude and the
sd Anthony [illegible] Doth owne our principles and (1)
frequents our meetings and we except of him as
friend

John Kelley
Seth Kelley

At the a fore sd meeting the following account was
read in and past in the meeting and excepted
we the subscribers being there unto appointed by the
month meeting in [illegible] to [illegible] accounts with
Mr Nathaniel freeman ye present treasurer for two
years past have accordingly this 20 day of march 1750
examined sd accounts and find them well amounted and
[illegible] and we find that he hath paid out one pound
sixteen shillings nine pence and three farthings lawful
money more then he hath received in and we find there
is out standing in the several Constables hands eighty
nine pounds three shillings eight pence and three farthings
lawful money

[illegible] Higgins
Richard [illegible]

Recorded pr Thomas [illegible] present Clerk

at a present meeting in Eastham [illegible] legally warned [illegible]
[illegible] held in ye present, there was voted in ye meeting to chuse a present Clark and present treasure and all other present officers as ye law directs Mr nathaniel freeman Jr Chosen moderator for ye meeting there was then Chosen for present Clark thomas knowls

for present treasure } nathaniel freeman jr

for present assesers { thomas [illegible]
samuel [illegible] jr
stephen [illegible]

for present Committe { thomas snow
samuel [illegible] Jr
[illegible] higgins

Recorded pr thomas knowls present Clark

at a present meeting in the north [illegible]
[illegible] legally warned and held at the north meeting house in ye present on monday the 18 day of August 1751 at half [illegible] five o'clock in the after noon there was voted [illegible] to raise money to pay the Rev Mr [illegible] Crocker and the Rev Mr [illegible] for the year [illegible] and also to raise money to defray other charges [illegible] in ye present [illegible] what to allow the constables the last year [illegible] the present [illegible] to do what may be thought proper to do [illegible] Joshua Hopkins present [illegible]
Mr nathaniel freeman Jr present treasurer [illegible] there voted to raise one hundred and [illegible] pounds [illegible] money one half of ye money to be paid in to the present treasurer by the last of December next the other half by the last of April next [illegible] the present Collectors [illegible] should have [illegible] pound for what was committed to them to Collect [illegible] constables [illegible] make up with the present treasurer at or before the last of December [illegible] Joshua Hopkins should not be rated in the present rate this present year by reason of a [illegible] by John [illegible]
[illegible] followeth
[illegible] the 21 day of the 11 month 1750

We John Kelley [illegible] Kelley [illegible]

July the first day 1715 For as much as the Inhabitants of the Town
of Eastham are made deeply senceable by woefull experience of the great
dammage that happens to persons generally in sd Town by horskind run
at large on the common or undivided lands in sd Town not being sufficiently
fettered by breaking into meadows and other inclosures though well fenced
to the great dammage of the publick: and we the select men of sd Town
mounting
having had particular directions or instructions as the law directs to make
some wholesome rule order or by-law for the managing the prudentiall af
fair of sd Town relating to ye premisses: knowing it will be conducing to the
peace welfare and good order of sd Town. Do therefore order and determin
that hence forward for the space of three years next coming no horskind
shall be suffered or allowed to go at large within the Township of Eastham
on the comons or undivided lands in sd Town or on the lands of any par
ticular person or persons in sd Town other then the land of the owner or
owners of such horskinde without being sufficiently fettered so as to pre
vent such hors or horskinde breaking into inclosures. And that if any
hors or horskinde be found going at large as above sd within the Town-
ship of Eastham from and after the last day of april annually during sd
Term untill the last day of october annually during sd Term that they
the sd horskinde shall then be counted & adjudged dammage feasant and it
shall and may be lawfull for any person or persons to take up such horskind
and impound the same and every person so impounding any horse or hors
kinde shall be paid by the owner thereof for his paines and trouble six
shillings per head for each horskinde so impounded and also that the ow
ners of such horskinde do pay unto the pound keeper two pence per head for the
~~[illegible]~~ horskind so impounded. And that the Generall laws of the province
be duely attended both as to notification given of such horskinde being
impounded and provision for them made and that the same proceedure
~~[illegible]~~ the Generall laws of the Province directs unto may be attended
for the apprizing and disposing of sd horskinde so impounded for pay
ing the charges arising thereupon as above said.
And whereas the beach called Nauset beach and the beach called Pochy beach
are the only walls of security to keep off the insulting waves of the atlan-
tick sea from destroying all the meadow-grounds within sd beaches: and hors
kinde treading thereon and beating down the Beach-grass growing on sd
beaches in the winter season of the year as well as in the summer sea
son of the year is found to be very hurtfull to sd Beaches and is the
only cause of the winds driving away the sand insomuch that the
main sea now begins to run over sd Beaches in many places and if
not timely remidyed will sweep away and cover up some hundreds pound
worth of meadowground in a little time. For Remedy whereof we the
sd select men of sd Eastham do also further order and determin that
hence forward no horskinde shall be allowed at any season of the year
and at no time during the above said ~~term of~~ three years to go at
large on either of said beaches without being sufficiently fettered
and if found otherwise thereon then to be accounted dammage fe
sant and to be proseeded with as above said and the owner & the owners
lyable to suffer as as above sd in every respect. which orders or
By-laws shall be and remain in force power and vertue for and during
the space of three years next after the date above said and no longer
unless the sd Town see cause to revive the same

Samuel Mayo }
Isaac Pepper } select men

These by laws or town orders were presented to ye
Court of Generall sessions of the peace then held
in and at Barnstable for the county of Barnstable
on the 19th day of august 1718 and by sd court al
lowed & approved attest [illegible]

Eastham by laws

The above written orders and By-laws for the Town of Eastham are
transcribed and recorded from the originall verbatim
[illegible] Town Cle

Whereas there hath and [illegible] most damage happen and [illegible]
the Town of Eastham by persons enclosing and improving [illegible]
mon or undivided land from time to time Contrary to ye minde and [illegible]
the leave of ye Town and to the great damage of the inhabitants and
priators of sd Town respectively. for prevention whereof: be it ordered
Town of Eastham and it is hereby ordered and Enacted by sd Town and vote[d]
at a Town meeting in sd Eastham ~~[illegible]~~ on the fifteenth day of march 170[illegible]
no person or persons shall from and after the date hereof fence in or [illegible]
any of [illegible] the Common or undivided land belonging to or lying within the [illegible]
of sd Town or keep enclosed any such land already taken in or enclosed or [illegible]
ty of forfeiting and paying ten shillings to the use of ~~the~~ Town [illegible] every [illegible]
land which he or they shall take in or enclose without the special leave first
orderly obtained from the Town and so proportionably for any lesser quantity [illegible]
ten shillings an acre p annum and so proportionably for every year that he
or they shall keep enclosed any such land heretofore taken in or that shall be [illegible]
after taken in or kept enclosed: all which fines and penaltyes shall be paid [illegible]
for and recovered for the use of sd Town in manner as is by the law provided for
recovering Town debts or dues.
These above written orders and by-laws were agreed on and voted at a Town [illegible]
ting in sd Eastham on the day and in the year above named attest Jn Paine Town [illegible]

Whereas it is observed within this Township of Eastham that fire-wood is
[illegible] is like to be very scarce and that much damage is already done and much
likely to ~~[illegible]~~ accrew to sd Town by the cutting young sapling poles and brush for
-wood and fencing and by peeling of Ceders whereby much damage is done to tim[illegible]
[illegible] of Ceder stuff: for prevention of all which abuses: Be it ordered by ye
[illegible] it is hereby ordered and Enacted by sd Town of Eastham at a Town-meeting
[illegible] Eastham on the twentieth day of march: 1703/4 That no person ~~that~~ [illegible]
of ye [illegible] of the Township of sd Eastham shall cut down any green oak or [illegible]
tree or [illegible] on any of the Common or undivided land belonging to sd Town under the [illegible]
of ten inches [illegible] at the butt or place where it is cut down to use either for fire-wo[od]
[illegible] any such ~~fire~~ wood or fencing-stuff to his or their house or [illegible]
[illegible] afore sd: or shall sell any such wood to any other person or persons for [illegible]
till the term of [illegible] years from the date hereof be fully expired on penalty of
paying ten shillings to ye use of sd Town for every tree so cut carried away or [illegible]
to be recovered for the use of sd Town in any Court proper to try the same. [illegible]
further ordered at the above sd Town-meeting that no person or persons shall within
term of [illegible] years cut any green Ceder-tree for fencing under the size of eight in[illegible]
over at the butt: on any of sd Towns Commons nor peel any young green Ceder under
penalty of forfeiting ten shillings for every tree so cut or caryed away and the like p[illegible]
[illegible] for every green Ceder tree or pole peeled as afore said to be paid for the use [illegible]
[illegible] in manner as above sd. ~~[illegible]~~ unless sd Ceder tree was above the size of Eight [illegible]
[illegible] at ye butt and shall be first cut down for other use.

And it is also further ordered and Enacted at sd Town-meeting on the twentieth
[illegible] of march that no person from and after the date hereof shall fire ye woods at [illegible]
time of the year within sd Township of Eastham on any of ye Towns Commons on
~~[illegible]~~ penalty of forfeiting twenty shillings to ye use of sd Town for each such [illegible]
to be recovered and paid for the use of ye Town as above sd. These orders and by-laws
were agreed on and voted at a Town-meeting in Eastham the day and year above spe[illegible]
fied. attest John Paine Town Clerk

At Her Majesties Court of General Sessions of the peace holden at Barnstable in
April 1704 these above written by-laws were presented to and approved & allowed by
said Court attest Wm Bassett Clerk

These above written orders and bylaws with the Courts approbation are faithfully
recorded from the original and therewith compared
attest John Paine Town Clerk

[illegible] 16: 17[illegible] the Town is Dr to Joseph Doane Clark of the [illegible]
Recording the way laid out ^downtowards ye [illegible] by the Selectmen [illegible]
[illegible] for drawing a petition for the select[illegible] — 0 - [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible] Town
a Copy of the List of the names of the Townsmen of [illegible] for the [illegible]
[illegible] Committee about the [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ — 0 - 1 - [illegible]
[illegible] of the Record of the Committe [illegible] by the Town appointed for that service — 0 - 0
[illegible] of Elisha Young's land in order to lay out a way [illegible] — 1
[illegible] ~~tenure~~ [illegible] of the south end of the Town — 0
[illegible] for a Copy of the [illegible] ~~tenure~~
[illegible] Committee [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] a Copy of the Record of the Committe [illegible] in order for sd Town to [illegible]
[illegible] July 1743 ~~[illegible]~~ 0 - 1 - [illegible]
[illegible] for Recording [illegible] money — [illegible]
Recording the [illegible] proprietors Grant [illegible] — 1 - 3
Recording North proprietors Grant — 1 - 0
[illegible] 3 for a copy of the Record for the [illegible] proprietors [illegible] — 0 - 1 - 6
4: a copy of the List of names of the South proprietors — 0 - 1 - 0

[illegible] Town of Eastham Records [illegible]

[illegible]
the first [illegible] taken 17 [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] 1754

Parish record from 1731 to 1762

[illegible] Decem[illegible] 6th 17[illegible] [illegible] standing [illegible] a stray [illegible] taken up [illegible] the 20th of this instant [illegible] to have [illegible] at the [illegible] her [illegible] 3 or [illegible] black [illegible] without any [illegible] 27 [illegible] to be about [illegible] years [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] mark nor [illegible] mark [illegible]
entred ⅌ Jn Paine Town Clerk

On Monday January ye 13th 1718/19 Samuel Knowles gave an account (in order to have it entered as the law directs) of two neat cattle by him taken up as strays on the twentyfourth day of January Current whose natural and artificial marks are as followeth viz: one of them a heifer about three years old [illegible] both brown and white her tail white marked with a half penny [illegible] in the under or hinder side of the right ear and a slit in the top of the same ear the other a steer about two years old being also pide black and white with a white tail no artificial mark when ~~[illegible]~~ he came to him but since marked by himself with a hollow crop on the top of each ear 181

July ye 27th 1724 Isaac Pierce of Eastham gave an account of a canoe taken up in December 1723 and now in the hands of sd Isaac Pierce the sd canoe is made of white pine about twelve foot long & about three foot wide made of two pieces and [illegible] in the bottom with six dovetails and a breasthooke in the bows and a stern and a strap in the head on each side ye stern and a place to scull in ye stern

[illegible] Joseph Doane being then in ye Isle of [illegible]
On the fifth day of March 1729/30 Debora Doane wife of Joseph Doane junr gave [illegible] notice to me as the law directs that one Charles Gallop with his wife & two children were then come to reside a little while in their house in Eastham who came last from Chatham & [illegible] they were under low circumstances all which I have informed the select men of Eastham the above writing is Received & entred by me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

On the 15th day of May 1730 Joseph Doane junr being Returned home from the Isle of [illegible] informed me as the Law directs that when he came home he found in his house entry [illegible] his leave or liking one Charles Gallop with his wife & two children in a low circumstances [illegible] to belong to the Town of Chatham Received & entred
⅌ me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

On the 27th day of April 1731 Samuel Doane gave an acct to mee which I [illegible] that he & his son Simeon Doane took up [illegible] on the 22nd day of sd April [illegible] [illegible] at the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] goods belonged to:
Entred ⅌ Joseph Doane Town Clerk

December 17th 1731 Then John [illegible] gave an acct that hee & [illegible] having [illegible] [illegible] secured from a wreck that came [illegible] the shore [illegible] [illegible] in Eastham one Main mast & fore mast [illegible] [illegible] one Iron one little Iron pot frying pan & one [illegible] which sd goods they [illegible] & secured for the owners as the law directs on the 14th & 15th of December 1731
Entred ⅌ Joseph Doane Town Clerk

December 21: 1731
then Johanna Higgins gave [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in
Eastham among the Ice [illegible] 21 empty [illegible] 2 barrels with som [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] 2 shoulders missing last week
entred pr Joseph Doane Town clerk

July 25: 1733 then Elisha Higgins of Eastham informed me in order to be entred [illegible] that he on
saturday last the 21 instant he [illegible] [illegible] damage [illegible] of a brown coulte
short taile & hip [illegible] entred pr me Joseph Doane Town clerk

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September 29th 1733 then William Smith of Eastham informed me that this day he taken
a fishing boate with two oares adrift on the backside of [illegible] about 12 foot
keel with three thoughts built with
ceder bords maple timbers
entred pr me Joseph Doane Town Clerk

July 12th: 1740 then Elisha Young of Eastham Esqr brought in to me the forks of the
flucks of 79 Porpos tailes which he declared ware taken in the new Porpos Net which [illegible] 79
William Doane Esqr had with the assistance of others made to catch Porpos with
and [illegible] by the company taken in sd Net & by them killed on the backside of
Eastham. and is accordingly entred & Recorded by me Joseph Doane Town clerk
August the 9th: 1740 Elisha Young brought in to me 46 Porpos ~~forks~~ tails [illegible]
August 22: 1740 Elisha Young brought into me 43 porpos tailes - forks 43
October 28: 1740 Elisha Young [illegible] [illegible] that the [illegible]
[illegible] tailes was by him & company taken by [illegible] which number [illegible]
[illegible] William Doane of sd Eastham Esqr
[illegible] Joseph Doane Townclerk

July 24: 1740 then Joshua Knowles brought in to me 60 forks of porpos
tailes which he declared ware caught in the porpos net
September 27: 1740 then Joshua Knowles brought in to me 29 porpos tails
and gave oath that [illegible] [illegible] him [illegible]
[illegible] in the employ of William Doane of Eastham Esqr and [illegible]
[illegible] by me Joseph Doane Townclerk

Whereas there is a certain parcell of bruſh and trees growing between the land of Joſiah Cooke Senr and the place called the grape-vine ſwamp in Eaſtham which sd bruſh and trees are very beneficiall to preſerve the land near adjacent from being deſtroyed by the ſand blowing up thereon. and thereby ruining ſaid adjacent land which if sd trees be cut down will be very prejudiciall to sd Town and Eſpecially to ſaid Joſiah Cooke Senr.
Therefore (at the requeſt of sd Joſiah Cooke) it was voted at a Town meeting in ſaid Eaſtham on the twentieth day of auguſt 1711: That no perſon or perſons whatſoever ſhall cut down or carry away any tree or trees or any bruſh from of ſaid parcell of land (viz) from of the land that lyes between the ſlaſh by sd Cookes houſe and the place called the grapevine ſwamp below the lower Cart way that goes through the woods or bruſh under ſuch penalty as the law provides for cutting trees or bruſh from off another mans land to be recovered by due proceſs of law by ſaid Joſiah Cooke or any other perſon or perſons that ſaid Town ſhall Impower
This act or order was voted as above ſaid at the above sd Town meeting in Eaſtham
Atteſt John Paine Town Clerk

At the Court of Generall Seſſions of the peace holden at Barnſtable for the County of Barnſtable on the firſt tueſday in october 1711: the sd Court did approve and allow of the within Town order or by-law
atteſt Wm Baſſett Cler:

This above written is a true Coppie recorded from the originall and therewith Compared January ye 21th 1711/12
atteſt John Paine Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 31 day of March anno domini 1731
warned as the Law directs for Chusing Precinct officers the ensuing year & Intention being
signified in the notification for warning meeting for that end.
Capt Samuel Freeman being Chosen Moderator in sd meeting & then at sd meeting made
choyce of Joseph Doane Esqr to be clerke of sd precinct who was then accordingly sworn as the
law directs then also made choyce of Nathaniel Freeman jun to be precinct Colector [illegible]
then made choyce of Stephen Snow to be precinct Colector then also made choyce of Samuel
Knowles jun Timothy Cole & Samuel Doane to be precinct Assessors then also made choyce
of Samuel Knowls jun Timothy Cole & Samuel Doane to be precinct Committee then also
made choyce of Deacon Edward Knowls to be precinct Tresurer
entred pr Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

At a Precinct meeting of the Inhabitants of the South Precinct in Eastham the twelfth day of August
1731 being warned as the Law directs & notis given in the notification for warning sd meeting that the
same meeting was to Conclude on Raising money to pay the ministers salleries belonging to the south
precinct in Eastham for the year Current & also to Raise money for mending & Repairing & finish-
ing the meeting houses belonging to sd Precinct the Ratable Inhabitants accordingly meeting made
choyce of Mr Israel Cole for Moderator for sd meeting & then concluded that the sum of two hun-
dred & seventy pounds be forth Raised by a Rate made by sd Precinct Assessors upon the poles &
estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Precinct & all such as by Law are obliged to pay to sd charge ac-
cording to the Rules that the Law directs & that the list or lists for sd Rate so made be committed unto
sd Precinct Colectors to Colect & gather in the same together with a warrant for that purpose & that said
sum & sums be by sd Colectors delivered in to sd Precincts Tresurer or his successor to be paid out by him as followeth, viz,
the sum of one hundred & ~~forty~~ twenty pounds to the Reverend Mr Samuel Osborn for his sallery for the year current
and the like sum of one hundred & twenty pounds to be paid unto the Reverend Mr Benjamin Webb for his sallery
for the year Current & out of the Remainder the charge of Repairing & finishing sd meeting houses
be also paid. and that the one half part of sd sum be paid in on or before the last of
November next coming & the other half part on or before the last of April next coming 1732 and
that the whole of sd sum be Received in & paid out in Current Publick bills of credit
voted at sd meeting
Attest Joseph Doane Precinct clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the South Precinct in Eastham the sixteenth day
of March 1731/2 warned to Make choyce of Precinct officers for the year ensuing Deacon
Edward Knowls was chosen Moderator and then Joseph Doane Esqr was chosen Precinct
clerk then also Samuel Freeman jun Israel Cole & William Paine were chosen Precinct
Assessors then also Deacon Edward Knowls was chosen Precinct Tresurer then also
Samuel Freeman jun Israel Cole & William Paine were chosen Precinct Committee
then voted that the Precinct Tresurer should have 6d on the pound for paying out the precinct
money except the ministers salleries
entred pr Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

At a Precinct meeting of the Inhabitants of the South precinct in Eastham the third
day of August 1732 warned as the Law directs & notice given in the warrant for calling said
meeting that the same was to consider & act what might be proper for raising money to pay the
salleries of the ministers of sd Precinct & such other charge as belongs to the publick worship of God in
sd Precinct & also to consider & do what might be proper in adding to sd ministers salleries at which
meeting Nathaniel Freeman Esqr was chosen moderator & then at sd meeting it was concluded &
voted that the sum of two hund & seventy pounds shold be forthwith Raised by a Rate made by
sd Precinct assessors on the poles & estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Precinct & such others as
are obliged to pay to sd charge & that sd Rate be made as the law directs & that the lists of sd Rate
so made be committed to the Constables of sd Town of Eastham with warrants for collecting the
same & that sd sums be by sd constables delivered in to the Tresurer of sd Precinct or his successor in
[illegible] & be by sd Tresurer paid out as followeth viz, to the Revd Mr Samuel Osborn Ninety pounds
with an addition of thirty pounds more this year for his sallery for the year current & also to the
Revd Mr Benjamin Webb Ninety pounds with an addition of thirty pounds more for his sallery for
the year current & the Remainder to be paid out by order as need shall requir for Repairing and
finishing the meeting houses in sd Precinct & other proper charge belonging to the publick worship of
God & that the one half part of sd sum be paid in as above sd on or before the last [illegible] next
& the other half on or before the last day of April next 1733 and that the whole sum be paid
in & paid out in publick Current bills of credit to the precinct Tresurer
entred pr Joseph Doane Precinct Clarke

At a meeting of the south Precinct in Eastham the 12th day of March 1732/3 warned to chuse Precinct officers for the year ensuing by Reason the wether was so unconsiderable sd meeting was by vote adjourned to Monday next at one of the clock forenoon being the nineteenth current

Entred ꝑ Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

March 19th 1732/3 the Inhabitants of the south precinct being then assembled pursuant to sd adjournment then made choyce of Israel Cole moderator for sd Meeting & then made choyce of Joseph Doane Precinct clerk then also made choyce of Edward Knowls Precinct ~~Clerk~~ Tresurer then made choyce of William Paine Israel Cole Samuel Doane junr for precinct assessors then also made choyce of William paine Israel Cole & Samuel Doane junr for Precinct Committee

Entred ꝑ Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

At a meeting of the south precinct in Eastham on the 8th day of August 1733 warned to agree upon & to grant such sum or sums of money as shall be judged needfull for paying the Ministers sallerys & for defraying other necessary charges arising in sd Precinct & also to consider & do what may be judged proper & needfull to be done by an adition to their sallerys for the support of the Ministers in sd Precinct & also to consider & do what may be proper & convenient to be done in order to enlarging or Repairing the south meeting house in sd ~~[illegible]~~ south precinct & also to do what may be thought proper to be done for the Releas of Mr Stephen Snow with Respect to the five pounds he saith he hath lost when he was Collector: then Deacon Edward Knowls chosen Moderator for sd meeting: then at sd meeting concluded & determined to Raise the sum of three hundred pounds — — — — — on the poles & estate as the law directs of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd precinct & all such others as are obliged to pay their proportions to the publick worship in sd precinct & that the assessors make a Rate ~~for~~ for the same acordingly & deliver the list or lists of sd Rate to the Constables to colect & pay in the same to the Tresurer of sd Precinct or his successor one half thereof on or before the last — day of November next coming & the other half thereof on or before the last — day of April — next after and that sd Tresurer pay out of sd sum or sums as follows to the Reverend Mr Samuel Osborn for his one years salery the sum of one hundred & forty pounds twenty pounds thereof being an adition for sd year ensuing and also that one hundred & forty pounds to the Reverend Mr Benjamin Webb for his one years salery for the year ensuing twenty pounds thereof being an adition for sd year & the other twenty pounds for Repairing & sweeping the meeting house in sd Precinct also concluded at sd meeting & determined that a committee of five good men be chosen a committee to view & survay the windows & window frames walls & doors of the south meeting house in sd south precinct & what they shall judge needfull for Repairing & mending the same be done & the cost thereof to be paid by the south precinct in Eastham & that when and so soon as the north meeting house in sd precinct shall want any such Repairing the charge thereof to be raised on & paid by sd south precinct ~~&~~ to be the like sum raised & paid for Repairing sd south meeting house as a fore sd. then made choyce of Capt Samuel Knowls Mr Timothy Cole Robert young jun Solomon Pepper & Meriah Snow for sd committee also at the aforesd meeting voted and determined that if a number of Men do or shall appear to enlarge the south meeting house in sd precinct on the two ends & the back side so much as shall be thought needfull or convenient by sd Committee afore named they shall have liberty so to do & they shall have the benefit of a sutable room to build pews all round sd meeting house on the lower floor for their own use & also to improve the back part of the galleries that shall be enlarged for their own use they allowing so much new Room in the new as they ~~as they~~ shall take for pews in the old part of sd house all the above writen precinct

was then in Meeting voted & entred by me Joseph Doane ~~precinct~~ Clark

At a meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham being legally warned & met on the 31 day of January 1733/4 to consider & do what might be thought proper to be done about enlarging the South meeting house in sd Precinct either by the Precinct or or by giving som further liberty or directions to those that will do it at their own Cost & charge & also to chuse a Committee to determin what is Reasonable to be done for the Repairing said meeting house at which meeting Deacon Edward Knowls was by voate chosen Moderator it being a very full meeting.

Then at sd meeting it was put to voate by sd Moderator whether the voate obtained by the precinct at their meeting the eighth day of August last past for perticular persons enlarging sd meeting house should be Reconsidered & Reasumed & sd voate then past in the afirmitive for Reasuming sd former voate.

Then at sd Meeting the voate was by sd moderator Called for whether the South Precinct would enlarge sd South meeting house so far as shold be thought convenient by a commitee chosen for that servis at the Cost of sd Precinct & that the same sum be raised on sd Precinct to enlarge the north meeting house in sd Precinct when & as soon as there shall be need to enlarge sd north meeting house in sd precinct and the voate past in the afermitive.

Then also at sd meeting Deacon Edward Knowls Mr Samuel ffreeman jun Mr Jabez Snow junr Capt Samuel Knowls Mr William Paine & Mr Israel Cole ware by voate chosen a Commitee to Consider what might be proper about enlarging sd South meeting house & to make Report thereof at the ajournment of this meeting then sd Meeting by voate was ajourned to thirsday the seventh day of ffebruary next at ten of the clock in the forenoon at sd South Meeting house.

Entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct Clark

Pursuant to sd ajournment on the seventh day of ffebruary 1733/4 the Inhabitants of the South precinct being again assembled at the South meeting house in sd South precinct in Eastham in order to Receive the Commitees Report &c. said Commitee then acordingly gave in their Report Concerning the premises signed with their names in the words following Wee the subscribers being a Commitee Chosen by the South precinct in Eastham to Consider & make Report to sd precinct at their meeting, when, how, & after what maner the South meeting house in sd precinct shall be enlarged & acordingly we having Considered the same & have agreed on the following Report (viz) that the sd South meeting house do stand as it now is untill the spring or sumer of the year 1735 and that it be then taken all down to the ground & Rebuilt again forthwith of the same bignes & Dimentions that the Meeting house in Harwich now is & that so much of the old stuff be made use of in Rebuilding the said house as shall be found sarvisable & that there be a Commitee now chosen to erect the same & that at the next meeting sd precinct have for raising money there be an hundred & twenty pounds money Raised by sd precinct for their Commitee to purchess Materials to Rebuild sd house with and that as soon as sd meeting house is Raised & Inclosed there be sutable Room set out for Pews all Round sd house on the lower floor & sd Room be sould to those that will give the most for it & the money thay are sould for to be improved for the finishing sd house

Edward Knowls
Samuel Knowls jun
Israel Cole
Samuel ffreeman jun
William Paine
Jabez Snow jun

The Comitee further Report that if at the within Report be voated on Condition that if on before the meeting for Raising the money within mentioned that be a number of Men under take & be com bound to Rebuild and finish sd meeting house for sd hundred & twenty pounds & the benifet of the Room for pews.

Edward Knowls
Samuel Knowls junr
Israel Cole
Samuel Freeman junr
William Paine
Jabiz Snow junr

At the aforesd Meeting viz, ffebruary the seventh 1733/4 the whole of the sd Comitees Report being several times Red & considered the voate being called for by the Moderator upon the whole the voate past in the afirmitive.

entred pr Joseph Doane precinct Clark

At a precinct meeting of the south precinct in Eastham on the 4th day of march 1733/4 warned to chuse Precinct officers for the following year then made choyce of Edward Knowls for moderator for sd meeting then made choyce of Joseph Doane for precinct clark then made choyce of Edward Knowls for precinct Tresurer — then made choyce of William Paine Samuel Freeman junr & Israel Cole for precinct Committee then also made choyce of William Paine Samuel Freeman junr & Israel Cole for precinct assessors

entred pr Joseph Doane precinct clark

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the sixth day of [illegible] 1734 at the North meeting house in sd Precinct warned to consider & do what might be proper for raising of money for the support of the ministers in sd Precinct & also for the defraying of charges arising in sd Precinct for the year current Edward Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting then concluded & voated to Raise on the Poles & estates of the Inhabitants of sd Precinct & such others as are obliged to pay to the same as the law directs the sum of three hundred pounds & the list or lists made by the assessors of sd Precinct for the same be delivered to the Constables in sd Precinct to be collected & paid in to the Tresurer of sd Precinct or his successor the one half thereof on or before the last day of November next & the other half on or before the last day of april next out of which sd money so raised the Revd Mr Samuel Osborn shall have paid unto him for the year current for his support in the work of the ministry so much over & above his stated salary as to make up the whole one hundred and twenty pounds: and the Revd Mr Benjamin Webb out of sd money so raised shall have paid unto him for the year current for his support in the work of the ministry so much over & above his stated salary as to make up the whole one hundred and twenty pounds & the Remainder to go for sweeping the meeting houses in sd precinct Repairing sd meeting houses & paying the assessors for making sd Precincts Rates

Entred pr Joseph Doane Precinct Clark

then voated that Samuel Freeman junr & Joseph Smith audet the Precinct Tresurers & Town Tresurers accounts & make Report at the next town [illegible]

at a publick Town meeting
Octobr 8th 1734 then Received the Report of Samuel freeman junr and
Joseph Smith who were before appointed to audit the Precinct Tresurers accts
who then gave in their Report in writing under their hands that on 24 day of
September 1734 they had audited sd precinct Tresurers accts & find them Right cast
and well vouched & there Remains due to sd Tresurer twenty two pounds twelve
shillings & tenpence from sd precinct & there Remains due from the severall consta-
bles to the sd Tresurer one hundred & ninety four pounds six shillings & four pence
entred pr me Joseph Doane precinct Clark

At a Precinct Meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham March the 10th 1734/5
warned to Make choyce of Precinct officers for the folowing year
then Deacon Knowls Chosen Moderator for sd meeting then Joseph Doane
Chosen precinct clark then Edward Knowls chosen precinct Tresurer
Then Israel Cole Samuel Doane junr & Joshua higgins junr chosen precinct
Assessors then Israel Cole Samuel Doane junr & Joshua higgins chosen
precinct Committee
Then William walker junr Sammuel Doane junr Capt Samuel Knowls
and Jonathan Smith Chosen to look after the boys a lords days
entred Joseph Doane precinct clark

At a Precinct Meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 13th day of
August 1735 warned to Consider & do what might be proper for Raising
of Money for the support of sd precinct Ministers & defraying the nessesary
charges arising within sd Precinct Relating to the publick worship of God
and also to Consider & do what might be proper for Rebuilding Re-
pairing or Enlarging the South meeting house in sd Precinct Edward Knowls
chosen moderator for sd meeting
then Concluded & voated to Raise three hundred pounds on the poles
& estates of the Ratable Inhabitants in & belonging to sd Precinct for ye
payment as last year one hundred & fifty pounds there of to the support of
Mr Osborn for the present year ensuing and one hundred & fifty pounds there
of for the support of Mr Webb this present year ensuing then also Concluded and
voated that the South ~~meeting house in sd~~ Precinct enlarge the South meeting
in sd Precinct five or six feet at each end & new clabbord or shingle the easterly end &
the wall of the foresd & new shingle the fore side of the Roof & Make new window
frames for the easterly end & fore side & new doores to the house & all other
Repairs that shall be found needfull & that money be Raised this fall to purchase materials to
be in a Rediness ~~to be in Rediness~~ for the work to be done next spring & that there be
a convenient Room for a Roe of Pues all round sd house on the lower flore sold to the
highest bidders for it & the money so Raised to be Improved towards the defraying the charg
of enlarging & Repairing sd meeting house & that a committee be now chosen to carry on
sd work & so much money as shall be drawn out of sd Precincts Tresurey to Repair or enlarge
said meeting house shall also be drawn out of sd Precincts Tresurey to Repaire or enlarge
the North meeting house in sd Precinct when & so soone as there shall be occasion for the
same in the Judgment of the Major part of the Ratable Male persons that Congregate in sd
North meeting house in sd Precinct then also Concluded & voated that twenty pounds shall
~~shall~~ be raised on the poles & estates of the Ratable Inhabitants in & of sd Precinct & such as
are obliged to pay towards the Publick worship in sd Precinct to be paid [illegible] also then voated that Joseph
Doane Esqr & Mr William Paine be a committee to carry on sd work

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 8th day of March 173[illegible] warned to make
choyce of Precinct officers for the year ensuing Edward Knowls chosen
moderator for sd meeting then Joseph Doane chosen precinct clark then
Edward Knowls chosen precinct Tresurer then Isral Cole & Joshua higgins junr
and Samuel Doane junr Chosen precinct assessors then also Isreal Cole &
Joshua higens junr & Samuel Doane junr chosen precinct [illegible] Committee
[illegible]
entred pr Joseph Doane propriators Clark

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham warned as the Law
directs to assemble at the South meeting house in sd Precinct on monday
the 22nd day of March 1735/6 to Consider & do what might be proper
to do in granting or giving leave to a sutable number of the Inhabitants
of sd precinct to enlarge the backside of sd meeting house on their own cost & charge
they having the benifit of the room to themselves they so enlarge
and the Inhabitants of sd Precinct being acordingly assembled at sd time & place made
choyce of Mr Ralph Smith Moderator for sd meeting & then entred upon the consideration
of the premises & after deliberate consideration concluded voated & determind that if a
number of seven or more of the Inhabitants of sd Precinct shall now appear to carry
off the backside wall of sd South meeting house in sd South precint the whole length
of sd meeting house as it shall bee when the same is lengthned at each end as is
alredy heretofore determined & shall carry off the same eight or nine feet as shall be
thought most convenient leaving a sutable ally room from east to west along
the whole length of sd adition so caried off next to the ground sell of the body of
said Meeting house & shall finish sd work or sd aditional building with the Roff
pareiel to the Roff of the old building well & ornimentally finish sd aditional building
on sd backside of sd meeting house find & provide every thing for building and finish-
ing sd aditional building at their own cost & charge excepting onely so much
of the ~~[illegible]~~ old back wall of sd old house as may be usefull to help in building or
finishing sd work which sd undertakers shall be alowed to use in the work but not
to Remove any of the posts of sd old house & that a convenient aley room be
left to pass from the old part of sd house into sd new adition sd Precinct to alow
sd undertakers so much towards sd new adition as the old backside would
want Repairing in case sd new adition was not built & there now appearing
Ralph Smith William Norkut Samuel higgins junr Joshua Treat
Nathaniel Freeman junr John Freeman & Sollomon Pepper Inhabitants
of sd Precinct to undertake sd work of aditional building they to have the benifit
of the room so enlarged to themselves
The voate being called for upon the whole past fully In the
aformative entred pr Joseph Doane Precinct clark

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham at the South meeting house in sd precinct on Monday the 12th day
of July 1736 warned as the Law directs to consider & make choyce of a Committe
to set out the ground in sd meeting house in order to make pews & sell the same in the
highest biders or if the Inhabitants of sd Precinct shall think best to aprise & sell the
same for the benifit of sd precinct to defray the charge of enlarging sd ~~precinct~~ meeting
house and the Inhabitants of sd Precinct then assembled made choyce of Mr William Paine
Moderator for sd meeting then also entred upon the consideration of the premises & after con-
sideration voted to chuse three men for a committee to set out the ground in order to
make pews & to sell the same to the highest biders then also voated that Timmothy Cole
Samuel Higgins junr & Sollomon Pepper be the committee to set out sd ground for pews
and then sd Meeting was ajorned by voate to Monday next at two of the clock in
the after noon at sd meeting house ~~to be~~ In order for all persons to bid for
pews that intended to have pews entred pr Joseph Doane Precinct
Clark

at a Precinct Meeting of the south precinct in Eastham the 10th day of =
July 1736 to Rais money to Raise money for the support of sd Precinct ministers
and defraying the necessary charges arising in sd Precinct Relating to what conserns
the Publick worship of God &c voated to Raise three hundred pounds on the poles &
estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Precinct & such as do by law pay to sd publick
worship in sd precinct to be for the support of Mr Osborn & Mr Webb in equal
proportion in the work of the ministry for the year ensuing one half to be paid
in to the Tresurer of sd Precinct or his successor on or before the last day of November
next & the other half on or before the last day of April next also voated to Raise
twenty pounds more to be paid in as afores'd for the necessary charges arising
arising in sd Precinct Relating to sweeping the meeting houses &c also voated
to Raise thirty pounds more as afores'd to be paid in as afores'd to pay the charge
of plastering under the galleries of sd two meeting houses also voated the same
committee that set to seal the Pews in the south meeting house do set to seal the
place for a person at the hed of the mens stears & at the hed of the womens stears
on friday next to the highest beders also voated that Mr Israel Cole provide som
suitable person to sweep & look after sd south meeting house.
entred per me Joseph Doane precinct clark

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at a Precinct meeting of the south Precinct in Eastham warned to chuse precinct
officers for the year ensuing on the seventh day of march 1736/7 & to do what might
be proper to order a suitable person to take care of & sweep the south meeting house
in s'd precinct Edward Knowls chose moderator for sd meeting
Then made choyce of Joseph Doane for Precinct clark
Then made choyce of Edward Knowls for Precinct Tresurer
then made choyce of John Freeman, Samuel Freeman jun'r and
Samuel ~~Freeman junr~~ Doane jun'r for Precinct assessors
then made choyce of John Freeman Samuel Freeman jun'r and
Samuel Doane jun'r for Precinct Committee
and then also at sd meeting voated that Samuel Higgins jun'r shold be paid
out of the Precinct Tresury forty shilling to take care of & sweep the south meeting
house in sd precinct with all the aditions thereto belonging for the space of one year from the time
he first began & till further order entred per Joseph Doane Precinct clark

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at a Precinct meeting of the south Precinct in Eastham the 9th day of May 1737 warned to
chuse a committee to settle accounts with the committee appointed to carry on the work of enlarging
and Repairing & enlarging the south meeting house in eastham and also to give order to draw money out of the precinct
tresury to defray the charge of that work if there be any not paid & also what is proper to order
to be done towards the finishing ~~the charge of that work~~ sd house & plastering under the galleries
of both meeting houses in sd precinct then the Precinct Inhabitants being assembled chose Mr
William Paine Moderator for sd meeting and then made choyce of Captain John Knowls
and Captain Samuel Knowls to be a committee to audit & settle accounts with the the former
committee appointed to carry on the work of enlarging & Repairing sd south meeting house and that
the committee now chosen make Report at the ajournment of this meeting of that mater then
also voated that the former committee shall be impowered to culler & finish what yet Remains
to be done for cullering & finishing & plastering under the galleries of sd south meeting house in sd precinct only if any perticuler
persons will appear & build up seats at their own cost & charge in the now vacant Room in the
galleries of sd meeting house not already disposed off they shall have the liberty so to do then also
voated that sd former committee shall draw money out of sd precinct tresury sufficient to pay the
Reasonable charge & cost of what may be yet behind ~~[illegible]~~ and that already done in enlarging and
Repairing sd meeting house & what sd committee are yet further directed to do Relating to that matter as to
plastering & cullering & their payment shall be drawn by sd committee out of sd precinct tresury for the
uses abovesd the same sum shall be drawn out of sd precinct tresury when there shall be occation for it

f[illegible] enlarging Repairing or [illegible] under the ~~galeries of the~~ north meeting house in sd precinct
then sd Meeting was ajourned to monday ye ^ [illegible] pr Joseph Doane Precinct clerk
next at the south meeting house in sd precinct
at [illegible] o clock in the after noon

On monday the 10th of may being the time & place sd Meeting was ajourned to in order to Receive the Committees Report Relating to the former Committee Repairing & enlarging the south meeting house in the south precinct in sd Town of Eastham which Report was then Read & voted excepted

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At a Precinct Meeting of the south Precinct in Eastham the 22nd day of August 1737 warned to consider & do what might be proper towards Raising money sufficient for the support of the Minesters ^ that do officiate in the work in sd Precinct for the ensuing year and defraying the necessary charges arising in ~~the~~ sd precinct Edward Knowls Chosen Moderator for sd Meeting and then determined and voted to Raise three hundred & thirty pounds on the poles & estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Precinct & such others as are obliged to pay to the support of the publick worship in sd precinct one hundred & fifty pounds thereof for the support of the Reverend Mr Samuel Osborn for the ensuing year in the work of the ministry and one hundred & fifty pounds thereof for the support of the Reverend Mr Benjamin Webb for the ensuing year ^ in the work of the ministry & the other thirty pound for the necessary charges arising in sd precinct & that the assessors of sd precinct as soon as may be make a Rate for the same as the law directs ordering one half thereof to be paid into the Treasurer of sd Precinct at or before the last day of November next & the other half on or before the last day of april next for the ends above sd

Entred pr Joseph Doane precinct Clerk

At a precinct meeting of the south precinct of Eastham the 13th day of March 1737/8 to chuse all precinct officers for the year ensuing then Edward Knowls chosen ^ moderator for sd meeting & then for precinct officers for the following year

for Clerk was Chosen Joseph Doane

~~for [illegible] [illegible]~~

for Treasurer Chosen Edward Knowls

for assessors Samuel Doane junr [illegible] Freeman
[illegible] Freeman junr

for Committee Samuel Doane junr [illegible] Freeman
Samuel Freeman junr

at a precinct meeting of the south precinct in Eastham the 15th day of May 1738 warned to Consider & do what Might be proper in order for plastering under the galeries of the of the North meeting house in sd precinct Capt Samuel Knowls Chosen moderator for sd Meeting then voted that the galeries under sd Meeting house shold be plastered and that Capt John Knowls & Samuel Freeman shall be a commitee to carion sd work & to draw out of sd precinct tresurey money to pay for the same & that the sd precinct assessors make a Rate for so much money to be again Returned in to sd tresurey voted to be entred

entred pr me Joseph Doane precinct clark

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at a Precinct Meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham on the Ninth day of August 1738 warned to order the Raising a sufficient sum of Money for the support of the Minestrey of sd Precinct & other Necessary charges of sd precinct Capt John Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting then concluded & voted to Raise the sum of four hundred pounds on the poles & estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Precinct & others as are obliged to pay towards the support of the minestry & other Precinct charges in sd Precinct, one hundred & seventy pounds there of for the support of the Revd Mr Benjamin Webb in the work of the Minestry for the year ensuing, and the like sum of one hundred & seventy pounds there of for the support & charge of such Minester or Minesters as do & shall Preach the word of God to or for the south Congregation in ~~the~~ our south meeting House in sd Precinct for the year ensuing & the other and Remaining part ~~there~~ of said sum to be to & for the defraying the necessary charges arising in sd precinct, one half of sd sum to be raised be paid in to the tresurer of sd precinct on or before the last day of November next & the other half on or before the last day of April next all which was considered & voted at sd meeting.

entred pr me Joseph Doane Propriators Clark

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at a Precinct Meeting of the south precinct in Eastham on the 17th day of October 1738 warned by order of the Precinct Commitee then & there to Consider and do what is proper in ordering money to be drawn out of sd Precinct Tresury to pay Mr Rowlan Tatcher for the servis he hath done & has yit to do until the time expires that the Councel ordered our pulpit in sd precinct shold be supplyed for his preaching the word of God to us & also to pay Mr William Paines charge of entertaining of him & others that supplied Nathaniel Freeman Esqr Chosen Moderator for sd Meeting then at sd Meeting voted that the sum of thirty four pounds be drawn out of sd precinct Tresurie by Deacon Jonathan Higgins & Deacon Joseph Doane & by them paid unto Mr. Rowlan Thatcher for his ~~[illegible]~~ supplying the pulpit in the south meeting house in sd precinct in preaching the word of God the term by the Councels advice in their Result, viz, seventeen sabath days. also then voted that Mr William Paine draw out of sd precinct Tresurey the sum of eight pounds & four shillings to pay him for his entertaining of sd Mr Thatcher & other Minesters in sd term. then the whole was voted to be Recorded and is accordingly Recorded, by me Joseph Doane Precinct clark

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 31 day of October 1738
warned by order of sd Precinct Committe to Consider & do what may be proper
towards the supply in the pulpit of the south precinct with a minister to preach the
Gospel there Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting then voated
that Joseph Doane Timothy Cole & Ralph Smith should take care that the pulpit
of the south meeting House in sd precinct be supplyed with a minister to preach
the word of God there till further order entred pr me Joseph Doane precinct
Clark

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct In Eastham the first day of
January 1738/9 warned as the Law directs to Consider & conclude wether or not
to pay ye Mr Samuel Osborn any sallery after the 27th day of June last past
being the time he was by the Councell suspended from Preaching untill the time
he was dismist from his Pastoral Relation to the south church in sd Precinct which
was the 20th day of November last past as also to Consider wether any thing
is due to him sd Mr Osborn Relating to the ~~Em~~ fencing the land given by ye Mr
Kempton to the church &c. Mr Edward Knowls Chosen moderator for sd meeting
Then Considered Concluded & voated that the sd Mr Samuel Osborn be alowed & paid
out of the sd Precinct Tresury his sallery proportionably as alowed for the year past
untill the time he was dismist from his Pastoral Relation to sd church which was the
20th day of November last past & for no longer time ~~afterwards~~.
The voate being Called for Relating to the fencing of sd land given to the church by
Mr Kempton ~~be found Negative~~ No voate obtained for that perticuler
entred pr me Joseph Doane Precinct Clark

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 14 day of march 1738/9
warned to Chuse Precinct officers for the ensuing year Edward Knowls Chosen moderator
for sd Meeting then Chose for Precinct Clark Joseph Doane
for Precinct Tresurer chose Edward Knowls
for Precinct assessors John freeman Israel Cole Jonathan Doane
for Precinct Committee John ffreeman Israel Cole & Jonathan Doane
entred pr me Joseph Doane Precinct Clark

At a Precinct Meeting of the Inhabitants of the South Precinct In Eastham on the
sixteenth day of April Anno Domini 1739 at the South meeting House in sd Precinct
Notice ~~notice~~ & warning given fifteen days before sd Meeting for the Inhabitants of
sd Precinct ~~to attend~~ qualified to vote as the Law directs to attend a Precinct meeting at said
South Meeting House on Munday the sixteenth day of April 1739 at one of the
clock in the afternoon & the sd qualified Inhabitants of sd Precinct being as aforesd
at time & place assembled: (notice given in the warning for sd Meeting to Consider
and do what might be properly needfull for sd Precincts Concurring with the Choyce the church
before had made of Mr Joseph Crocker for their Pastor & minister as also to do what
might be needfull in order for sd Mr Joseph Crocker's support & settlement in the work
of the ministry &c. ~~and the~~ did then make choyce of Deacon Edward Knowls Moder=
ator for sd Meeting and then entred upon the Consideration of the Premises, being a very
full meeting and in the first place it was by sd qualified voaters unanimously declered &
voated that they did fully comply with the Result of the venerable Councell given in the
30th day of June last past 1738 & also the Result ~~of the~~ venerable Councell given in
the 27th day of October 1738 & also ~~then~~ declere their full Concurrance with the Churches
dismissing of Mr Samuel Osborn from his Pastoral Relation to sd Church pursuant to
the advice of sd venerable Councell & also declere ~~that it was also~~ that they did not
~~account or look~~ on sd Mr Osborn as a minister in sd Precinct & noways obliged to support
him as a minister & this was what they ment & intended also when at the Precinct meeting
the ~~sixth day of~~ first day of January last past when they voated him the sd Mr Osborn to have
his sellery paid him till the time the church dismist him from his pastoral Relation to them which
was the 20th day of November 1738 and no longer. the premises being several times Read &
Considered the sd Moderator called for ~~the~~ the voate there on & the voate then past univarsally
In the affeyrmitive entred by me Joseph Doane ~~[illegible]~~ Precinct Clark

Then nextly at sd meeting the sd Moderator called on the votable Inhabitants of sd Precinct in sd meet=
to manifest their Concurrance of the churches choyce of Mr Joseph Crocker to be their -
Pastor & minister & they there upon univarsally voated their Concurrance with the churches
choyce. sd meeting entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct clark.

Then nextly at the above sd meeting viz April 16: 1739 entred upon the Consideration of sd Mr Joseph Crocker's settlement
and suppor in the work of the ministry if he might be prevailed with to settle in sd work of
the ministry. and then it was proposed to Consideration that if the worthy Mr Joseph Crocker
Cold be prevailed with to settle in the work of the ministry with the South Church & congregation
in the South Precinct in Eastham that then the cost & charge there of should be at the cost and
charge of the whole South Precinct in Eastham & such others as by order of General Court are obliged
to Contribute to the support of the Publick worship of God in sd South precinct in Eastham &
that in order for sd Mr Joseph Crockers settlement there shall be a sutable Dwelling House
built & a parcell of land procured to set sd house on in som convenient place ~~such a house~~
~~and~~ such a parcel of land ~~and~~ and such a Dwelling house as was built & procured for the settle-
ment either of Mr Osborn or Mr Webb & that sd Dwelling house & sd parcell of land be given to sd Mr Joseph Crocker
for his own and that the sd Mr Joseph Crocker during the time of his Continuance in the
work of the ministry in sd Precinct as aforesd shall have the use & Improvment of all the
Ministerial lands & Medow or sedge ground laid out for the use of the ministry in the Southerly
part of sd Precinct during the term afore only alowing Mr Osborn liberty to take off his
English Corn next harvest that is now growing on som part of sd Ministerial lands & also
that the sd Mr Joseph Crockers yearly support or sallery for his support in the work of the -
ministry shall be yearly & every year in full & equal to the yearly sallery & support
of the Revd Mr Benjamin Webb in the work of the ministry in sd Precinct the above writen
being severall times audebley Read & considered ~~the~~ moderator then in sd Meeting called upon the
precinct Inhabitants ~~that~~ if it was their minds to voate the above consideration & propositions
they would manifest it by their usial signe & the voate past fully in the affermitive.

entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct clark

Then also voated that Deacon Jonathan Higgins Capt Samuel Knowls Mr
Mr William Paine Mr John Freeman Joseph Doane Esqr & Mr Israel=
Cole be a Committee to Inform Mr Joseph Crocker what the ~~Precinct~~ the Precincts
at the above sd Meeting had acted & done Relating to the premises. & to signifie to him
full call to the work of the ministry entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct clark

then also voated that Deacon Jonathan higgins Capt Samuel Knowls & Mr William Paine
should go to Mr Samuel Osborn & desire him to yield up the ministerial lands & medow ~~he has~~
has had the Improvement of which belong to the use of the ministry ~~[illegible]~~ for sd [illegible] provided
for that use he to take off his english corn next harvest entred Jos: Doane Precinct Clark
corn that is now growing thereon -

at a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 16th day of April 1739 at the ~~said the~~ South meeting House in sd Precinct warned for ye considerations hereafter exprest Deacon Edward Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting.

it was then considered that whereas sd South Precinct in Eastham had built two meeting houses and hither to had supported their two ministers in a Generall way the money for defraying the the charge there of being Raised on the whole Precinct & paid out of the Precinct Tresurey equal to each parish & have proseeded in that way very unanimously &c whereas of Late there has been Considerable Money Raised & paid out of the Precinct Tresurey for enlarging & Repairing the South Meeting House in sd Precinct & also more money has been paid for the support of a minester in the South Parish then has been paid for the support of the minester in the North Parish in sd Precinct & there is likely also to be a considerable sum Raised for the settlement of a minester in sd South Parish they being now Destitute of a setled minester & to the end that the whole Precinct may proseed unanimously in defraying the charge that may arise voated that the Precinct Tresurer be directed to keep an exact & seperate account of all the Money that is or shall be paid out of the Tresurey for & towards the support of the Publick ~~charge~~ worship of God in each Parish to the end that whenever sd Precinct shall be divided & made in to two Precincts it may be seen & known how much has been drawn out of sd Tresurey for the use of each Parish and it is now accordingly agreed Concluded & voated that when ever sd Precinct may be divided & made into two Precincts it may be seen & known which Parish has Received the most money out of sd Tresurey that then sd Parish that has Received the most Money out of sd Tresurey shall Refund & pay back to the other Parish so much as shall make a ballance of the accounts kept by sd Tresurer of what each Parish has Received or drawn out of the Tresurey the above writen being severall times Read & considered the voate for passing the same was called for by the moderator & past unanimously In the affarmitive

entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

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at a Precinct Meeting (warned as the Law directs) of the South Precinct In Eastham on the fourteenth day of August Anno Domini 1739. at the South meeting House in sd Precinct at one of the clock in the afternoon notice being Inserted in the Notification or warrant for calling sd Meeting to Consider & determin how much money to Raise on the Poles & estates of the Rateable Inhabitants of sd Precinct and others there to belonging for the support of the ministers that Preach the word of God in the Publick meeting Houses in sd Precinct for the year ensuing & also what shall ~~what shall~~ be thought further Needfull for the support of other necessary charges in sd precinct that may or shall arise there in the ensuing year as also to Receive Mr Joseph Crockers answer to the call given to him by the church & Precinct to the work of the ministry in sd Precinct & his proposals Relating there to & accordingly to act there on &c.

and sd Precinct being assembled at time & place afore sd made choyce of Deacon Edward Knowls Moderator for sd Meeting. then Received Mr Joseph Crockers answer & proposals in the words following viz To the Inhabitants of the South Precinct In Eastham Greeting. whereas you did on the sixteenth day of april last past proseed to give me the subscriber a full call to the Honourable work of the Gospel ministry amongst you & did then signifie the same to me by a Committee of Joseph Doane Esqr Deacon Jonathan Higgins Capt Samuel Knowls Mr William Paine Mr John Freeman & Mr Israel Cole — These may certifie you, that I do accept of ~~the~~ your Call to that work on the termes and Conditions following —

Inprimis I accept of the salery voated for my yearly support in the ministry (which is to be equal to the Revd Mr Webbs) which was an hundred & seventy pounds the year past) but having as yet had no Experience in those ~~affairs~~ things & supposing this to be as little ~~as~~ as will do I expect you will not let it sink in vallue but will Make such further addition to it as your abilities will admit off, and my Necessities shall hereafter Require —

2 I accept of the settlement voated for My settlement viz, that for my settlement there should be a suitable Dwelling House built & a parcell of land procured to set sd house on in som Convenient place such a parcell of land & such a Dwelling house as was built & procured for the settlement either of Mr Osborn or Mr Webb supposing you intend that to be given to me & my heirs and assignes for Ever I accept this, unless providence should open a door for my own Convenient setling my self: & then I expect you will ~~be~~ be willing to let me have the vallue of what you have voated me in money.

I am lastly that whilst I Remain your Minister besides the Improvement of all the min=
isterial lands & Meadowes or sedge ground laid out for the use of the ministry in the southerly
part of your Precinct, besides the use & Improvement of this, I expect that you
will yearly & every year, find, cut & cart to my door a sufficient quantity of wood
for my own & for my familys yearly use.
If these Termes can be fully & freely voated & complyed with I accept of your call
In witnes whereof I subscribe hereunto   Joseph Crocker
Dated Eastham august 14th 1739

all which ~~in~~ articles termes & conditions above sd at sd Meeting was Read considered & weighed and
then unanimusly Concluded & voated in every perticuler excepting only that perticuler
Relating to firewood, which perticuler was then voated & concluded ~~in~~ thus that the sd Precinct
during Mr Joseph Crockers continuance in the work of the ministry in sd Precinct will year=
=ly & every year find Cut & cart to Mr Joseph Crockers house for his use sixteen Cords of
oake or walnut fire wood or twenty Cords of pine firewood at the cost & charge of sd Precinct and
~~[illegible]~~ Mr William Paine is chosen & appointed to take care that sd fire wood is accordingly
provided for sd Mr Crocker this year.
all the above writen at the above sd Meeting being well considered & then
voated is according entred & Recorded by me
Joseph Doane Precinct clark

also at the above sd Precinct meeting viz, august 14: 1739 then also voated
that sd Precinct during the continuance of the Revd Mr Benjamin Webb in the
work of the Ministry in sd Precinct will yearly & every year at the cost & charge of
of sd Precinct find Cut & cart to sd Mr Benjamin Webbs house for his use =
sixteen Coards of oake or walnut fire wood or twenty Cords of pine firewood and that Deacon
Edward Knowls is also chosen & appointed to take care that sd firewood is accordingly pro=
vided for sd Mr Webb this year voated & is accordingly Recorded by me Joseph Doane
Precinct Clark

Then also at the above sd Precinct meeting viz, august 14th 1739 voated and —
determined to Raise on the Poles & estates of the Rateable Inhabitants of the South Precinct
in Eastham & such others as are to pay towards the support of the Publick worship of God in
sd Precinct the sum of one hundred & seventy pounds for the support of the Revd Mr
Benjamin Webb in the work of the ministry the Insuing year.
and also the sum of one hundred & seventy pounds for the support of the worthy Mr Joseph =
Crocker in the work of the ministry the Insuing year.
and also forty pounds more to procure fire wood for sd ministers the year Insuing
and also three hundred & fifty pounds for sd Mr Joseph Crockers settlement as proposed
and also thirty pounds more for Repairing & fixing the Meeting houses in sd Precinct
the whole amounting to seven hundred & sixty pounds, to be paid in as followeth viz one half there of to be paid in
to the Precinct Treasurer on or before the last day of November next coming & the other
half on or before the last day of april next coming.
being voated is accordingly   entred & Recorded by me Joseph Doane Precinct clark

[illegible] the tenth 1739/40

At a Precinct Meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham warned as the law directs to chuse Precinct officers as the law directs for the ensuing year &c. Edward Knowls was then chosen Moderator for said meeting and then was chosen Precinct officers as follows for the ensuing year

Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk: Edward Knowls Precinct Tresurer:

Israel Cole Stephen Sparrow & Jonathan Doane Precinct assessors.

Israel Cole Stephen Sparrow & Jonathan Doane Precinct Committee

Entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the tenth day of March 1739/40 Inserted in the warrant for calling sd Meeting for sd precinct to do what is proper to enable the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker with money out of the said Precinct Tresurey to Recover the Possession of the Minesterial lands voated for his Improvement out of the Possession of Mr Samuel Osborn. then at sd Meeting made Choyce of Edward Knowls Moderator for sd Meeting. and then entred upon the Consideration of the premises and then it was proposed to consideration that the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker Pastor & Minester of the South Church & Congregation in the South Precinct in Eastham to enable him in the Law to Eject Mr Samuel Osborn out of the Possession of all the Minesterial lands in the southerly part of the South Precinct in Eastham that the said Mr Osborn during the time of his late Continuance in the work of the Minestry there had the Improvement of & still keeps the Possion of: that he the said: Mr Crocker be enabled with Money so far as is Necessarily needfull out of sd Precinct Tresurey that so the sd Mr Crocker May recover ~~obtain~~ the Possesion and Improvement of the same pursuant to the agreement made with him by sd Precinct

Secondly that In order to the proseeding in the premises the Precinct make choyce of a sutable person to assist the sd Mr Crocker with advice in the proseedings of that afaire so as may be most likly to efect the desired end.

thirdly that the Precinct Clerk be ordered & directed to give out to sd Mr Crocker or his order all such Copys off of Records as shall be thought needfull about the premises that so in the whole ~~after~~ the sd Mr Crocker may be as little Incumbred about the premises as posoble May be the above writen being several times Read & considered the Moderator then called for a voate upon the whole & the voate passed in the afarmitive, and then Capt William Paine was nominated & voated to be assistant as above said. the premises being voated is accordingly Recorded by me Joseph Doane ~~Precinct~~ Clark

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At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the fifteenth day of September 1740 warned to consider & Raise Money for the support of said Precinct minesters for the ensuing year & other Necesary charges arising in said Precinct Deacon Edward Knowls chosen moderator for sd meeting. Then concluded & voated to to Raise on the Poles & estates of the Ratable Inhabitants of sd Precinct & such others as by the Generall Court are ordered to pay to the ~~Publick~~ support of the Publick worship in sd Precinct ~~the~~ the following sums: That is to say the sum of one hundred & seventy pounds for the support of the Reverd Mr Benjamin Webb in the work of the minestry this year Commencing the 28th day of May last past. and also one hundred & seventy pounds for the support of the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker in the work of the minestry this year Commencing the 16th day of april last past and also the sum of fourty pounds to procure fire wood for sd Precinct Minesters this sd year according to the engagement to be drawn out for for that use: & also the sum of twenty pounds for Shiping & Repairing the meeting Houses in sd Precinct this year & other Necessary charges arising in sd Precinct: ~~and~~ to be paid in as by the assessors order and ~~that~~: and that Mr Edward Knowls is made choyce of to procure sd Mr Webbs fire wood this year according to the former voate & act of sd Precinct: and that William Paine Esqr is made choyce of to procure sd Mr Crockers fire wood this sd year according to the former voate & act of sd Precinct & thay Respectively to draw out of the Precinct Tresrey twenty pounds each each for that use.

being voated is accordingly Recorded by me Joseph Doane
Precinct Clerk

Eastham July the 12th: 1740
Then Elisha young of Eastham In the County of Barnstable Skiper or Master of
a porpoise voyage in the Imploy of, & one of the Associates of William Paine of
Eastham Esqr: he the sd Elisha young delivered to me Joseph Doane Townclerk
of sd Town of Eastham the midle part of the tails of 79 Porpoises tailes taken by him & his
× Company in their porpoise voyage which ware acordingly burnt & consumed by me Joseph Doane Town clerk
and on August the 9th 1740 then he the sd Skiper Elisha young ~~then~~ delivered to me Joseph=
-Doane Town clerk 45 midle part of the tails of porpoises which ware acordingly
burnt & consumed by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.
and on on august 22nd: 1740 then he the sd Skiper Elisha young delivered to me
Joseph Doane Town clerk 13 midle part of porpoises tailes which ware acordingly
burnt & consumed by me Joseph Doane Town clerk
October 28: 1740 then he the sd Skiper Elisha young delivered to me Joseph Doane
Town clerk 23 midle part of porpoises tailes which ware acordingly burnt &
consumed by me Joseph Doane Town clerk : to all which sd young gave oath

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At Eastham the 10th Day of April 1741
Then Jabiz Snow junr & Thomas Higgins both of Eastham In the County of
Barnstable Skipers or Masters of a Porpoise voyage in the Imploy of William
× Paine Esqr two of sd Paines Associates delivered unto me Joseph Doane Town
clerk of sd Town of Eastham ~~which sd~~ the midle part of three hundred &
porpoise tailes by them taken on their Porpoise voyage which sd tailes
ware burnt & consumed by me Joseph Doane Town clerk
and then at the same time the sd Jabiz Snow & Thomas Higgins both gave
their oathes that sd Porpoise tailes ware taken from the porpoises by them &
their Companie on a Porpoise voyage in sd Paines Imploy the second day of
December last 1740 & since entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk
to all which sd Snow & higgins gave their oathes

Eastham July 24th: 1740
Then Joshua Knowls of Eastham in the County of Barnstable Skiper or master of
× a Porpoise voyage in the Imploy of William Paine Esqr & one of his associates he the
said Joshua Knowls then Delivered to me Joseph Doane Town clerk of sd Eastham the
midle part of the tailes of 60 Porpoises tailes taken by him & his company in their porpoise voyage which ware
acordingly burnt & consumed by me Joseph Doane Town clerk.
September 27th: 1740 then he the sd Skiper Joshua Knowls delivered to me
Joseph Doane Town clerk 99 midle parts of the tailes of porpoises which
ware by me burnt & consumed.
December 1: 1740 then sd Skiper Joshua Knowls delivered to me Joseph Doane
Town clerk 17 midle parts of the tailes of porpoises which ware by me burnt &
consumed
entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk
to all which sd Knowls gave oath

November 24th: 1740 Then Isaac Mayo of Eastham in the County of Barnstable
Skiper of a Porpoise voyage in the Imploy of William Paine of Eastham Esqr &
× one of sd Paines associates he the sd Isaac Mayo then delivered to me Joseph Doane
Town clerk of of sd Town of Eastham the midle part of the tailes of fifteen Porpoises
tailes taken by him & his Company in their porpoise voy— which ware acordingly burnt and
consumed by me Joseph Doane Town clerk to all which sd Mayo gave oath

At a Precinct Meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the [illegible]th day of
December 1740 warned to chuse a Precinct Tresurer to supply the vacan:
cy made by the Death of Mr Edward Knowls late Precinct Tresurer then
Made Choyce of Samuel Freeman jun for Precinct Tresurer then also made
choyce of sd Samuel Freeman & Israel Cole to see over & adjust ye former
Tresurers accounts & to make Report thereof also that sd Samuel Freeman
is to take care that Mr Webb hath the Remainder of his fire wood procured
for the year Capt Samuel Knowls being first chosen moderator for
said meeting. Entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

At a Precinct Meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 25th day of
March 17[illegible] warned to Choose Precinct Officers for the ensuing year as
the Law directs & also to Receive the Commitees Report that was appointed to make
up accounts with the Exacutor of Mr Edward Knowls Precinct Tresurer late
Deceast as also to appoint two sutable ~~persons~~ men to procure firewood for
the Revd Mr Benjamin Webb & the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker the ensuing year
the Inhabitants of sd Precinct then present made choyce of Capt Samuel Knowls
moderator for sd Meeting: then at sd meeting for precinct officers for the ensuing
year was chosen.

for Precinct clerk was chosen Joseph Doane

for Precinct Tresurer was chosen Samuel Freeman jun

for Precinct assesors was chosen Israel Cole Stephen Sparrow
Jonathan Doane

for Precinct Commitee was chosen Israel Cole Stephen Sparrow
Jonathan Doane

Entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

~~Then at the sd Precinct meeting abovesd was chosen to procure firewood for the Revd~~
~~Mr Benjamin Webb for the ensuing year seasonabley~~
~~and also to procure fire wood for the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker the ensuing year seasonabley~~
~~was then chosen pursuant to agreement made by sd Precinct was chosen~~

At the abovesd Precinct meeting viz, March 25th 1741
Then Made Choyce of Mr Samuel Freeman jun to provide firewood for the
Revd Mr Benjamin Webb for the ensuing year seasonabley pursuant to the
agreement made by sd Precinct & to draw money out of sd Precincts Tresury to procure the same
Then also at sd Precinct Meeting Made choyce of Wm William Doane Esqr to provide fire
wood for the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker for the ensuing year seasonabley pur:
suant to the agreement Made by sd Precinct & to draw money out of sd Precincts
Tresurey for the ~~for~~ procuring the same.
Entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

At a Precinct meeting of the South precinct in Eastham march 25th 1741 then Received the Report of
of Samuel Freeman jun & Israel Cole who were the Commitee chosen for that servis
Relating to their Auditing the accounts of Edward Knowls late Precinct Tresurer Deceast
who Reported that with Thomas Knowls Executor to the last will & Testament of the
said late Tresurer on the first day of December 1740 they examine the accounts
and finding them Right cast & well vouch't found that there is one hundred and
fifteen pounds five shillings & ninepence more then paid out the sd Tresurer had Received
in the constables of the town & there is five hundred & one pounds six shillings & fourpence now
standing in the severall Constables hands not yet paid in to sd Tresurer.
Which Returns of sd Commitee was then at sd Meeting voted excepted
Entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 16th day of September
1741 warned to Consider & do what might be proper for the Support of the ministers
of sd Precinct & other necessary charge arising in sd Precinct ~~for the~~ Respecting the
Publick worship of God Mr Israel Cole chosen moderator for sd meeting
it was then Considered Concluded & voted to Raise on the poles & estates of the Rateable
Inhabitants of sd Precinct & such others as by the General Court are ordered to pay
to the Support of the Publick worship of God in sd Precinct the following sums that is to say
the sum of one hundred & seventy pounds as bills of credit now pass for the support
of the Revd Mr Benjamin Webb in the work of the ministry this year commencing
from the 28th day of May last past
and also the sum of one hundred & seventy pounds of like money for the support
of the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker in the work of the ministry this year commenc:
:ing from the 16th day of April last past and also fourty pounds equally in pro:
portion to procure fire wood for each of sd ministers this year & also twenty
pounds for Sweeping & Repairing of sd Precinct meeting Houses & other necessary precinct charges to be collected & paid
in to the Treasurer of sd Precinct or his successor as the assessors of sd Precinct shall
order   entred pr me Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

at the above sd Meeting Deacon Samuel Freeman was chosen to take care
for the procuring Mr Webbs fire wood seasonably this year & to draw money
out of the precinct Treasury to procure the same.

at the above sd Meeting William Paine Esqr was chosen to take care ~~that~~
for the procuring of Mr Crockers fire wood seasonably this year & to draw money
out of the Precinct Treasury to procure the same.
entred pr Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the [illegible] day of
[illegible] warned to chuse Precinct officers for the ensuing year [illegible]
chosen moderator for sd meeting then Joseph Doane was chosen Precinct
clerk then Samuel Freeman [illegible] chosen Precinct Treasurer then
[illegible] Stephen Sparrow & Jonathan Doane was chosen Precinct assessors then
[illegible]ael Cole Stephen Sparrow & Jonathan Doane was chosen Precinct [illegible]
entred pr Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 2nd day of August 17[illegible]
~~[illegible]~~ warned to attend what is here after exprest William Paine Esqr chosen moderator
for sd meeting then voted to Raise one hundred & seventy pounds old tenor bills of credit
or an equivilent thereto in lawfull money for the support of the Revd Mr Benjamin Webb
in the work of the ministry in sd precinct the year current commencing from the 28th day
of May last past: & also the like sum of one hundred & seventy pounds old tenor bills of credit
or an equivilent thereto in lawfull money for the support of the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker in
the work of the ministry in sd precinct the year current commencing from the 16th day of
April last past: and also the sum of fifty pounds old tenor bills of credit or an equivilent
in lawfull money to procure fire wood in equal proportion for the above sd Mr Webb and the
above sd Mr Crocker the year current: & also the sum of sixty pounds old tenor bills of credit
or an equivilent thereto in lawfull money to pay for Sweeping & Repairing the two meeting
houses in sd precinct & other necessary charges arising in sd precinct for the year current, all which sd
sums to be raised on the poles & estates of the Rateable Inhabitants of sd precinct & such others as by
the order of the General Court are to pay towards the support of the publick worship of God in sd precinct
also then made choyce of Deacon Samuel Freeman to procure Mr Webbs fire wood seasonably this year
also then made choyce of William Paine Esqr to procure sd Mr Crockers fire wood seasonably [illegible]
Entred pr me Joseph Doane Precinct Treasurer

At a precinct meeting of the South precinct in Eastham the 19th day of [illegible] 1742 warned to determin the time when the money Raised at a precinct meeting of sd Precinct ~~Raise~~ the second day of August last past should be paid in to the Tresurer of sd precinct for the [illegible] [illegible] expresst Mr Israel Cole chosen moderator for sd meeting then at sd meeting viz the 8th of November 1742 then voted by sd meeting that all sd money voated to be raised at the above sd meeting the second day of August last past shall be one half part thereof be paid in to sd Treasurer on or before the last day of this instant November & the other half thereof be paid in to sd Tresurer on or before the last day of Aprill next coming entred by me Joseph Doane precinct clerk

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At a Precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 14 day of March 1742/3 warned to choose precinct officers for the Insuing year Capt Samuel Knowls chosen Moderator for sd Meeting
then made choyce for Precinct Clerk Joseph Doane Esqr
Then made choyce for Precinct Tresurer Samuel Freeman
Then made choyce for Precinct assessors Lint John Freeman
Stephen Sparrow & Jonathan Doane
Entred pr me Joseph Doane Precinct clerk

At a precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham the 16 day of May 1743 warned for what is hereafter exprest Capt Samuel Knowles chosen moderator for sd meeting it was then Considered & voated that Nathaniel Gould [illegible] his three Rates [illegible] in his petition exhibited by his ffather at the last Court of Generall Sessions of the Peace held in & for the County of Barnstable shall be Remitted.
entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct clerk

Also at sd meeting it was voated that William Paine Esqr & Mr John Freeman [illegible] audit sd Precinct Tresurers accts & make Report thereof at sd ~~Inspectors~~ precinct next meeting entred pr me Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

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At a Precinct Meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham on the 12th day of August 1743 Capt Samuel Knowls chosen moderator for sd Meeting. then voated to Raise the sum of one hundred & eighty five pounds in old tenure value or in new tenure equivilent for the support of the Reverd Mr Benjamin Webb in the work of the ministry in sd precinct for the year current Commencing from the twenty eight day of May last past
and the like sum of one hundred & eighty five pounds old tenure value or an equivilent in new tenure value for the support of the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker in the work of the ministry in sd Precinct the year current Commencing from the sixteenth day of April last past; and also the sum of one hundred & sixty pounds in old tenure value or an equivilent in new tenure value for the providing sd Ministers firewood & other necessary charges arising in sd precinct the year current, all which sd sums to be raised on the poles & estates of the Rateable Inhabitants in sd Precinct & such as by order of the Generall Court are to pay towards the support of the publick worship of God in ~~towards~~ sd Precinct ~~charge of supporting the publick [illegible]~~. also then voted that Deacon Samuel Freeman should take care that the sd Mr Webbs firewood be provided in season, also voated that Livt John Freeman should take care that the sd Mr Crockers firewood be provided in season, entred & Recorded by me Joseph Doane ~~Precinct~~ clerk
all which ~~above~~ sd sums to be paid in to the precinct
Tresurer one half on or before the last day of November
next & the other half to be paid in on or before the last
day of Aprill next –

At a precinct meeting of the South Precinct in Eastham on the 12th day of March 1743/4 warned to choose all precinct officers for the ensuing year David Doane then chosen Moderator for sd meeting then Joseph Doane chosen precinct clerk then Samuel Freeman chosen precinct Tresurer then chosen for Precinct assessors Stephen Sparrow Nathaniel Freeman junr & Richard Sparrow then chose for precinct committee Stephen Sparrow Nathaniel Freeman junr & Richard Sparrow.
entred Joseph Doane precinct clerk

at a Town meeting in Eastham the 12th Day of September 1743 warned for what is hereafter exprest Mr James Rogers chosen moderator for sd meeting, then by voate was = chosen William Paine Esqr & Mr Stephen Sparrow agents for sd Town to agree with the agents of Harwich abo: ~~t~~ concerning the estates of any of the Inhabitants of sd Eastham that lays in Harwich, & the estates of any of the Inhabitants of Harwich that lays in Eastham how & to which of sd Towns the same shall be Rated by the agreement of sd agents. entred by me Joseph Doane Town clerk

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at a precinct meeting of the South precinct in Eastham the 13th Day of August 1744 warned to Raise money & do what is proper for making allowance to the [illegible] rates this year for the support of the worship of God in sd precinct Mr Israel Cole chosen moderator for sd meeting, then voated to Raise on the Poles & Estates of the Rateable Inhabitants of sd precinct & such as by the Genll Court ~~ar~~ Order are to pay to the support of the publik worship of God in sd precinct the sum of one hundred & eighty five pounds in old tenure vallue for the Reverend Mr Benjamin Webb for his support in the work of the ministry in sd precinct for the year Current commencing from the 28 day of may last past. and also the sum of one hundred & eighty five pounds in old tenure vallue for the support of the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker in the work of the ministry in sd precinct for the year Current Commencing from the 16th Day of April last past. and also the sum of one hundred pound in old tenure vallue for the procuring sd ministers fire wood & other necessary Charges arising in sd precinct the year current the one half of all said sums to be paid in to the Treasurer of sd precinct or his successor in that office on or before the last day of November next and the other half thereof on or the last day of April next, also then voated that Deacon Samuel Freeman be the man to see Mr Webbs fire wood is provided seasonabley this year, & that Deacon John Freeman shall be the man to see Mr Crockers fire wood is provided in season this year: then also voated that under the needy surcumstances of the above said Mr Webb there be also raised for him for his further Relieff this year the sum of fourty pounds in old tenure vallue to be paid in one half on or before the last day of November next & the other half to be paid in as above said on or before the last day of April next to sd Treasurer as above said entred by me Joseph Doane precinct Clerk

and then the voate was Called for in order for making allowance for the present constables gathering in the precinct Rates this year but the moderator going away before I knew he determined that the voate past for the same & so not entred till I spoke with the moderator to know it was a voate past therefor & he declaring to me that the voate did pass for the same I accordingly entred that the voate past for allowance to be made to sd Constabeles for collecting the the south precinct Rate this year.

entred by me Joseph Doane Precinct Clerk

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on the 12th of march 1744/5

at a precinct meting of the South precinct in Eastham warned by the ~~[illegible]~~ precinct Committe to Chuse precinct offisers and allso to consider and do what might be thought proper in alowing the constab'es for gathering the precinct rates and David Doane then Chosen moderator for sd meting then Nathaniel Freeman jur Chosen precinct Clerk and Samuel Freeman Chosen precinct treasurer then made Chice of Robart Young Richard Sparrow and Jabez Snow jur for precinct assesors and for precinct committe Chose Robart Young and Richard Sparrow and Jabez Snow jur

allso then voted that if the constables for the year past shall pay in and make up with Samuel Freeman precinct treasurer on or before the last day of October next thay shall be alowed and paid out of the precinct treasury ~~four~~ pence pr pound in the same tenor as thay shall pay in

Entred by me Nathaniel Freeman jr Town Clerk

at a precinct meting of the south precinct in Eastham on the 12th day
of august 1745 Joseph Doane Esqr Chosen moderater for sd meting
then voated to raise the sum of two hundred pounds old tenor vallu for the
support of the Reverend mr Beiamine Webb in the work of the menistree
in sd precinct for the year curant commincing from the twenti Eighth day of may
last past and the like sum of two hundred pounds old tenor vallu for the support
of the reverend mr Joseph Crocker in the work of the ministry in sd precinct
the year curant commincing from the sixtenth day of april last past and allso
then voated to raise Eighty fower pounds old tenor vallu to procure each of
the above sd ministors fire wood and other nesesary charges ariseing in sd princt
also then voated that Deacon Samuel Freeman and Deacon John Freeman
be the men to procure the above sd ministors fire wood for this present
year

Entred pr Nathanl Freeman jur Town Clerk

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at aprecinct meting of the south precinct in Eastham on the 12th day
of march 1745/6 Jabez Snow jur Chosen moderator for sd meting then made
Choice of Nathanll Freeman jur for precinct Clerk and then made choice of
Samuel Freeman for precinct Treasurer and then chose for precinct assesors
and precinct Committe Richard Sparrow Robart young an Jonathan Doane
also then voated that if the Constables for the last year past shall payin the
whole of the precinct rate commited to them by the precinct assesors to gather
in unto Decon Samuel Freeman precinct Treasurer or his suckcesor and also make
up with the sd Freeman or his suckcessor on or before the first day of Janiary next
that then the sd Constables shall be alowed an paid out of the precinct treasury
fower pence on the pound in the same tenor as they shall payin to sd treesury

Entred by me Nathanll Freeman jur Precinct Clerk

~~at aprecinct meting of the south precinct in Eastham of the 4th day~~
~~chosen moderator for sd~~
~~of august 1746 Jonathan Doane being~~

at aprecinct meting of the south precinct in Eastham on the 4th day of august
1746 ~~[illegible]~~ warned to raise money to support the publick worship
of God and to procure the ministers fire wod and other necesary charges arising
in sd precinct this present year Jonathan Doane chosen moderater for sd meeting then voated
to raise the som of two hundred pounds old tenor value for the support of the
Reverend mr Beniamin webb in the work of the menistree in sd precinct for
the year curant Commincing from the twenty Eighth day of may last past
and the like som of two hundred pounds old tenor vallu for the support of the Reverend
mr Joseph Crocker in the work of the menistree in sd precinct the year curant Com-
mincing from the sixteenth day of april last past and also then voated to rai-
Eighty fower pounds old tenor vallu to procure each of the above sd ministors

fire wood an other nesesary charges arisin in sd precinct also then voated
that Richard Sparrow and Samuel Doane jur be the men to procure the wood
of minister fire wood for this present yeare then also the Committe appointed
by sd precinct to audit acompts with Samuel freeman precinct treasurer gave
in their report which was as followeth

we the Subscribers heare unto being appointed by the south precinct in the Town
ship of Eastham to audit a compts with mr Samuel freeman precinct Treasurer
for the time past have according by this fourth day of June 1746
Examined sd acompts and find them well voucked and right cast and there is
now remaining in the treasury sixty nine pounds seaven tean shiling and Eleaven
pence old tenor and more there is out standing in the several Constables hands
sixty seven pounds six shilings and two pence old tenor John ffreeman
Thomas Knowls

the a bove a compt was voated and Excepted

Entred by me Nathaniel freeman jur ~~precinct~~ Clerk

also voated at the above sd meting august ye 4th 1746 that the a fore sd
sums of money to be raised for the youse of sd precinct be one half paid
in to Samuel freeman precinct Treasurer or his successor in that office
on or before the last day of november next and the other half on or before
the last day of april next

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at a precinct meting of the south precinct in Eastham warned by the
precinct Committe on the 23d day of October 1746 and notice being given in
on by sd warning that it was to consider and do what might be proper to be don
for a settlement and sallery for the incoragement of mr Josiah Tory in the
work of the ministry in the north parrish in said precinct if he might be obtained
to settle in the work of the ministry in sd parrish. and Deacon Samuel freeman
being chosen moderator for sd meting. it was then concluded and voated by sd pre=
cinct to alow for the settlement of a minister in the north parrish in sd precinct
fower hundred and fifty pounds old tenor. it was then also voated to alow
the same sallery yearly for the minester that shall settle in the north
parrish in sd precinct as was setled on the reverend Mr Joseph=
Crocker. and also the same quantety of fire wood as was voated for sd mr
Crocker. it was then also voated that the a bove sd minester shall have the use and
imprevement of all the minesteriall lands and medows laid out in the north part
of sd precinct for the use of the ministry after the last day of july next —
and also the imprevement of one half part of the land called Cromptons land
after the sd last day of july next. it was then propose to chuse a committe
to discurse with ~~with~~ the sd mr Josiah tory and to let him know what
we had voated and to know sumthing of his mind concerning a sallery.
and thare was then chosen for sd committe Joseph Doane Esqr mr David
[illegible] Doane Col Samuel Knowls Deacon Thomas Knowls Deacon John ffreeman
and Deacon Samuel ffreeman and sd meting was continued til their return
and sd committe being returned made report that thay had discused with the
sd mr Tory and his terms for a yearly sallery was two hundred and
fifty or sixty pounds old tenor but that he cheifly insisted on two
hundred and sixty there was then a voate called for by the moderator
to know whether thay would alow to mr Josiah Tory two hundred and

sixty pounds old tenor for his yearly salery and support in the
work of the gospel ministry in the north parrish in the south precinct
in Eastham and the voat pased in the affermative and then sd meting
was adjurned to the third tues day in november next at twelve o Clock at
noon at the same place

Entred by me Nathanll Freeman jur precinct Clerk

pursuant to the above adjurnment the inhabitance of sd precinct
met at time and place and mr Tory not sending in his answer
said meting was dismised entred pr Nathanll Freeman jur precinct Clerk

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Whereas Mr Josiah Torry has given his answer in the negative relating
to his setling in the work of the ministry in the second Church in Eastham
wee the Committe of the south precinct in Eastham do hereby give notice
and warning to the inhabitance of the south precinct in Eastham to attend
a precinct meting at the middle meting House in Eastham on friday the
28th of this instant at one of the Clock in the after none then and thare
to chuse a man or men to look out for som sutable person to come and
preach the word of God to the North Church in the south precinct in sd Eastham
Dated november ye 21th 1746 Jonathan Doane } precinct Committe
Richard Sparrow }

pursuant to the above said warning the inhabitance of sd south
precinct in Eastham assembled and met on the 28th day of November 1746
and Col. John Knowls being Chosen moderator for sd meting thare was then
Chosen by voate of sd precinct Decon Samuell Freeman Hezekiah Doane Esqr
Decon Thomas Knowls Joshua Knowls and Jonathan Doane to look out
for som sutable person to come and preach the word of God to the north
Curch in the south precinct in Eastham above sd

Recorded by me Nathanll Freeman jur precinct Clerk

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at a precinct meting march ye 9th 1746/7 warned to chuse a precinct
clerk and a precinct Treasurer and all other such precinct officers to serve
in sd precinct this current year as the law directs also to do what
may be thout proper in respect to the constables alowance for gathering
the precinct rate for the year 46 and Deacon Samuel Freeman
being Chosen moderator for sd meting the precinct then made choise
of Nathaniel Freeman jur for precinct clerk and of Deacon Samuel Freeman
for precinct treasurer and then made choice of Stephen Sparrow
and Richard Sparrow and Jonathan Doane for precinct assesors
and also for precinct committe. it was also then voated by sd
precinct that if the constables for the year past 1746 shall gather
and pay in the whole some of the precinct rate set to them to gather
in by the precinct assesors unto Deacon Samuel Freeman precinct trea
surer or his successor on or before the last day of november next
that then they shall be alowed and paid out of the precinct treasury four
pence on the pound in the same tenor as they shall pay in to sd treasurer
entred pr Nathaniel Freeman jur precinct Clerk

of ye [illegible] precinct in [illegible]
at a precinct meting ^legally warned on the 24th day of June 1747
and it being incerted in sd warning that it was to Chose a sutable man or men
to seek out for a sutable person to come and preach the word of god to the Church
and congregation in the middle part of sd Towne in order for settelment thare
in the work of the minestry · and the inhabitants of sd precinct being asem-
bled at time and place ^then made Chice of mr Samuel Doane for moderator for sd
meting and thare was then Chosen by voate of sd precinct Deacon Samuel Freeman
Mr Jonathan Doane and mr Ebenezer Higgens to seek out for a sutable person
to come and preach the word of God to sd Church and Congregation as abovesd

Recorded pr Nathanll Freeman jr precinct Clerk

at a precinct meting of the south precinct in Eastham legally warned on the
4th day of august 1747 and notice being given in and by sd warning that it was
to consider and do what might be thought proper with respect to raising money
to support the public worship of God in sd precinct and other necessary charges
arising within the same and also to do what might thought proper as to raising
money for the settelment of a minister in the north societe in sd precinct and also to
make choice of a precinct assessor and committe to serve in the same [illegible]
[illegible] and ^deacon John Freeman being ~~being~~ chosen moderator for sd
[illegible] and voated by sd precinct
meting and after som discorse it was [illegible]
to chuse a committe to discorce with the Revend mr Joseph Crocker and to
~~[illegible]~~ consider what the fall of money has ben sence sd mr Crockers
first setling with us in the work of the minestry until now · and to make
report to this meting what thay think his sallery ought to be this present
year to make it as good as it was when he first setled with us and there
was then chosen by vote of sd precinct for sd committe Jonathan Doane
Theophilus paine Richard Sparrow Thomas Knowls and Nathanll Freeman
and Theophilus paine was also then chosen precinct assessor and precinct
committe to serve in the rome of Stephen Sparrow and then sd meting
was ajorned to monday the 17th day of this instant august at two of
clock in the afternoon at the same place · pursuent to the above ajornment
the inhabitats of sd precinct met at time and place and the
above sd committe gave in thire report which was as follows
that thay had discorsed with the Revend mr Joseph Crocker and
had wayed and considered the fall of money and thaer judgment
was that sd mr Crockers sallery for this present yeare ought
to be thre hundred and twenty pound old tenor to make it as
good as it was when he first setled with us in the work of the
ministre and sd mr Crocker ^by desier of sd precinct being present thare was ~~[illegible]~~
discorse on the premises ~~and~~ sd mr Crocker propose that if the
precinct would voate ^him thre hundred pound ^and take and find him wood as
before he would be satesfied for that present year. and it was then
concluded and voated by sd precinct to raise on the poles and estates
of the Rateable inhabitant of sd precinct and such others of

~~[illegible] and to the publick [illegible] worship [illegible] precinct~~

as are obliged to pay to the publick worship of God in sd precinct three hundred pounds old tenor for the support of the Reverend mr Joseph Croker in the work of the ministry this year commincing from the sixteenth day of april last past

it was then also concluded and voated to raise three hundred pounds old tenor on the poles and Estates of the Rateable inhabitants of sd precinct and such others as pay to the publick worship of God in sd precinct for the support of the ministry in the north parrish in sd precinct for the year current commincing from the 25th day of may last past: and then sd meeting was ajorned to monday next the 24th day of august at three a clock in the after none. persuant to the above ajornment the inhabitants of sd precinct met at time and place. and it was then concluded and voated to raise two hundred and forty pounds old tenor on the poles and Estates of the rateable inhabitants of sd precinct and such others as are oblige to pay to the publick worship of God in sd precinct to procure the minister fire wood and to pay such other necessary charges as shall arise within sd precinct it was also then concluded and voated by the voatable inhabitants of sd precinct to Raise six hundred and fifty pounds old tenor on the poles and Estates of the rateable inhabitants of sd precinct and such others as are obliged to pay to the publick worship of God in sd precinct for the settlement of a minister in the north parrish in sd precinct the one half of all the above sd sums to be paid in to Deacon Samuel Freeman precinct Treasurer or his successor on or before the last day of november next and the other half on or before the last day of april next and mr Theophilus paine was then appointed to procure fire wood for the Reverend mr Joseph Crocker and Deacon Thomas Knowles to procure fire wood for a minister in the north parrish in sd precinct Entred by me Nathanll Freeman sd precinct Clerk

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at a precinct meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the South precinct in Eastham duly qualified and lawfully warned in publick precinct meeting assembled on Tuesday ye 8th day of march 1747/8 and there was notice given in sd warning that it was to chuse a precinct clerk and a precinct treasurer and all other such precinct officers to serve in sd precinct this current year as the Law directs and also to consider and act what may be thought proper in respect of Even constables alowance for gathering the precinct rate in the year 1747 and also to act what might be thought proper Relating to the pews being set in the southerly station in sd precinct as formerly they were and John Freeman being chosen moderator for sd meeting there was then chosen for precinct clerk Nathanll Freeman jur and for precinct treasurer Deacon Samuel Freeman and for precinct assessors John Freeman Jonathan Higgens and John Doane and precinct committe John Freeman Jonathan Higgens and John Doane. also at the same meeting voated that ye the constables for

for the year 1747 shall gather and pay in [redacted] the whole sum of the precinct rate set to [illegible] to gather in to the precinct assess unto Deacon Samuel Freeman precinct treasurer or his successor on or before the last day of november next that then they shall be allowed and paid out of the precinct treasury three pence on the pound in the same sum as they shall pay in to sd treasury Entre pr Nathanll freeman pt precinct clerk

and also at the a fore said precinct meting on tues day ye 8th day of march 1747/8 it was voate by the ratable in habitants of sd precinct that the [illegible] peeple mentioned in the warrant for raising sd money) should be set in the southerly statebil and also to be added the southerly constables rate bis to be by him gathered as formerly (72) as far as the range be twixt the land of Jeremiah Smith and the land of wiliam myrick Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman precinct clerk

and also at sd meting Joseph Smith sr and Theophilus paine were appointed to make up and [illegible] a compts with Deacon Samuel freeman precinct treasurer

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at a precinct meting of the South precinct in Eastham Leagally warned on monday ye 16th day of may 1748 and notice being given in and by sd warning that it was to consider and do what might be thought proper a bout the minesteriall land and meadow in the middle sosiate in Eastham and to chuse a man to take care of it for the use of the precinct and also to do what might be thought propper for finding madam webb her fire wood and Col samuel Samuel Knowls being chosen moderator for sd meting and there was then chosen by vote of sd precinct Samuel Doane jr and Ebenezer Higgens to take care of sd minesterial land and medow and also then voated that madam webb should have the pastureing or graising of all the minesteriall land in the north part of sd precinct this spring and somer and also have two cord of wood procured for her at the cost of sd precinct Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman jur Town clerk

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at a precinct meting of the South precinct in Eastham Legally warned on monday the 8th day of august 1748 and notice being given in and by sd warning that it was to raise money on the polls and Estates of the Ratable in habitants of sd precinct and such others as are ~~[illegible]~~ obliged by law to pay to the support of the publick worship of God in sd precinct and all other necessary charges relating there to in sd precinct and also to chuse two good and trusty men to take care of and seasonably to provide fire wood for the minister in sd precinct as obliged to do and being assembled at time and place chose Col Samuel Knowls moderator for sd meting and it being but a thin assembly sd meting was adjourned to monday the twenty second day of august instant at two of the clock in the after none, pursuant to the above adjornment the inhabitants of sd precinct assembled at time and place and then concluded and voated that the ministers sallaries in this precinct be one hundred and seventy pound Each old Tenour ~~and~~ Eighty five pound of it be stated on silver at twenty eight shillings pr ounce that is to say if silver be be twice as much that part of the sallery shall be twice as much and accordingly rise and fall with the silver be it what it will and the other Eighty five of the sallery shall be stated on Indian corn at seven shillings and six pence a bushel [illegible]

and rise and fall according to the market price of [illegible] from this time
for [illegible] [illegible] what it will higher or lower. The price of corn to be as
the first vessel clears that sails from this Town with a freight of corn after
the first day of november the price of silver to be taken in november as
of the goldsmiths give, the minesters are more over to have their wood
as here to fore they have had, the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker was present
and consented to the above agrement and voate

Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman, jur
precinct Clerk

also at the above meting chose
Col Samuel Knowls and Judah Snow
and Deacon Jos Freeman to take care at the time that the price
of silver and corn above sd is to be taken and to determine what
Mr Crockers sallery is according to the above statement
also the Deacon Jos Freeman and Deacon Thomas Knowls to procure
the minesters fire wood as obliged to do

also at the afore sd precinct meting on monday ye 5th day
of august 1745 and continued by ajurnment to ye 12th concluded
and voated to raise on the poles and Estates of the Rateable inhabi-
tants of sd precinct and such others as are obliged by law to pay to
the publick worship of god in sd precinct Eight hundred pounds old
tenour and also then voated to raise on the poles and Estates old ten[illegible]
sixty pounds more old tenour to defray precinct charges

Entred pr Nathanll ffreeman jur
precinct Clerk

at a precinct meting of the South precinct in Eastham on the sixth day of march 1745/6 warned by
the precinct committe, [illegible] notice given as [illegible] by sd warrant
[illegible] to chuse a precinct clerk and all such other precinct officers
as the law directs and also to do what may be thought proper respecting the
[illegible] Joshua Hopkins [illegible] to be [illegible] or the [illegible] consent
[illegible] also to do what may be thought proper respecting allowing the [illegible]
[illegible] the precinct [illegible]
[illegible] then chosen [illegible]
[illegible] for precinct Treasurer [illegible]
clerk Deacon Thomas Knowls and for precinct Treasurer Nathanll Free-
man jur and for precinct assessors Deacon Jos Freeman [illegible]
[illegible] and the same for precinct committe [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] shall pay
[illegible] also then voated that if Samuel [illegible] to collect [illegible] Nathaniel Freeman [illegible]
[illegible] several sums set to him to collect [illegible]
precinct Treasurer or his successor [illegible] of october next then they
or his successor on or before the sixteenth day of october [illegible]
shall be paid out of the precinct treasury [illegible] six hundred
[illegible] Deacon Samuel Freeman [illegible]
and fifty pounds paid for the settlement of a minester [illegible]
[illegible] sd precinct in his hands [illegible] out by sd precinct
[illegible] voated the precinct Treasurer [illegible] allow
[illegible] for receiving [illegible] paying out the precinct
also [illegible]
[illegible] Treasurer [illegible] Freeman jur precinct [illegible]

at a precinct meeting [illegible] with precinct [illegible]
[illegible] the thirty day of may 1749
according to the [illegible] given in a warrant to receive
the answer of the reverend mr Carpenter who has been called to
the work of the ministry by the middle church in sd precinct
and to consider and act thereon what may be thought
proper and chosen [illegible] moderator and chosen [illegible] for
sd meeting and mr Carpenters answer ^at the meeting^ was as followeth

to the church and Inhabitants of the middle society in
Eastham honored and beloved

having sum time had under consideration the vary
momentious affaire of settling in the ministry among
you I am com to a conclusion to undertake it by Divine
help provided I may be in a capacity to give my self holly
to it and in order hearunto as I accept the settlement and
salery voated by the precinct so I would mak thes following
reasonable propsials viz that six cords of pine wood be added
to what is voated that the parsnage Lands be maid and kept
capable of improvement by fencing and repairing of fenses
as there may be need that I have the Liberty of keeping sum
sheep upon the commons as allso every mans Labour with
his hands and team one day in a year in such a method
as you shall agree upon which may be sufficiant for my
tilleg and giting the hay and so may help to ballance the great
charge of building and repairing in this expensive place
provided moreover I can obtain a habitation and place conveni
-ent for my residance and you remain peaceible and unanimous
as also that if I should be taken away from my family you
ingage to purches my reail estate hear which I consume they
must of nesesity Dispose of as indifferant Judges may determin
and that you be at the charg of transporting them and there
estates to Boston upon such considerations as these I offer
my self under the great shepard to the servis of your soles
allways expecting that you make my intrest your owne and
that you incorage & sitten my Gospel ministry that you
ever strive together with me in your prayers to God for
me that I may find mercy of the Lord to be faithfull
and that you joyn your sincerest indevers with your ferve
-nt prayers that I may not run in vain nither Labour in
vain Ezra Carpenter

Eastham April 21:1749

P S I expect that some certain time be agreed upon and
voated for the payment ~~of~~ of the settlement and
salery

and when the afore sd answer was read after sum
discorse a voat was called by the moderator whether

the precinct would complie with Mr Carpenter proposalls his answer or not and the vote pased in the negative
it was then proposed and a vote was called by the moderator whether Mr Carpender should have the six hundred and fifty pounds old tener that is all ready raised for a setelment for a minister in the north sosiety and the sume sixty and pounds that the precinct Mr [illegible] has so lowing as Mr Carpender should be agreed to perform the work of the minestry and the vote pased in the affirmative there was a Commete then Chosen namely Joseph [illegible] Deacon Samuel Knowles Deacon Samuel Freeman Captn Jabez Snow and Mr Joseph Smith to go and Discourse with Mr Carpender and to whether he would comply with what was voted him and the above sd Committes report was that the sd Mr Carpender would not fall from any articel that he had given in his answer

Entred pr Thomas Knowles precinct Clerk

at the above sd meating the committy that was chosen by the precinct to undertake accounts with Deacon Samuel Freeman precinct treasurer brought in their report as followeth
we the subscribers hereunto being appointed by the North precinct of the township of Eastham and to adjust accounts with Mr Samuel Freeman precinct treasurer the year past have accordingly this 10th Day of March 1748/9 examined sd accounts and find them well vouched and right cast and there is in sd treasurers hands twenty five pounds four shillings 1d old tener.
and we find there is now out standing in the several constables hands three hundred ninety three pounds nineteen shillings seven pence old tener
and all so we find in sd treasurers hands the six hundred and fifty pounds old tener exclusive of any of the above mentioned sums that was raised by sd precinct for a setlement for a minister in the north sosiety
i.e. sd precinct

Jabez Snow
Jonathan Done

The above account was voted and excepted

entred pr Thomas Knowles precinct Clerk

at a presint meeting in the south presint in eastham
lawfully warned and held at the north meeting house in
sd presint on thursday the 8 Day of Janeuary 17[illegible] at one
of the Clock in the afternoon there was notis given in sd
warning to do what might be thought proper respecting
the present circumstances that the north society in sd presint
are under relaiting to Mr Carpenders setling in the work
of the ministry in sd society and allso to Do what may
be proper as to making a settlement and sallery to
sd Mr Carpender upon his settling in the work of the
ministry in sd society Joseph Doane Esqr was chosen
moderator for sd meeting and after som discorse it was
propose and put to a vote by the moderator whether they
ware willing to alow unto Mr Carpender the sum that was
formerly voted in this presint for the setlement of a ~~[illegible]~~
minester in the north part of the south presint in eastham
and to alow him the saime yearly sallery as is alowed
to the Revd Mr Joseph Crocker and allso the same yearly fier
wood the improvement of the ministeral or parish land and
meadow alowed to the minester in sd north part of sd presint
Dureing his continuance and performance in the work
of the ministry in sd north part of sd presint and
the above sd vote passed in the affermetive
Entred pr Thomas Knowles presint Clark

at a presint meeting of the south presint in [illegible]
lawfully warned and held at the north meeting house in sd
~~[illegible]~~ presint on monday the [illegible] day of September 17[illegible]
at 2 of the Clock in the afternoon there was notis given
in and by sd warning to do what may be proper as to rais-
ing mony in the presint and [illegible]
[illegible] in sd presint to support the
parish [illegible] and other necessary charges arising
in sd presint this present year and to chuse a [illegible]
[illegible] under [illegible] sd presint [illegible]
[illegible] ministry in sd presint [illegible] was chosen
moderator for sd meeting it was then voted to raise [illegible]
[illegible] for to support the parish [illegible]
of [illegible] and other necessary charges in sd presint it was then
voted that [illegible]
to [illegible] by the presint for the [illegible]
[illegible] for this present year
Entred pr Thomas Knowles presint Clark

at a present meeting of the north present in eastham warned and
held at the north meeting house in s^d present on thursday the 21
at 2 of the clock in the afternoon
day of [illegible] [illegible] it was then voted [illegible] to see
what may be proper in order to procure the wood for the
use of the minester of north society in s^d present and also
to see what might be thought proper with the [illegible] that
grows on the minesteral land and meadow in the north
society in s^d present deacon samuel freeman was chosen moderator
for s^d meeting it was then voted that the minester in the north society should have
sixteen cords of oake or walnut fire wood at twenty [illegible] ordinary [illegible] yearly [illegible] year
fire wood [illegible] at the cost of the present [illegible]
[illegible] in the
work of the ministry in the north part of s^d present
it was then voted that m^r ebenezer higgins should be the
man to procure the wood for the ministry in the north society
this present year it was then voted that m^r [illegible] should have
~~[illegible]~~ that part of the [illegible] that belonged to the minestry
in the north society
that was on the minesteral land of the s^d [illegible] and a suffisient
[illegible] of the minesteral meadow for [illegible]

Entred pr Thomas Knowles present Clerke

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at a present meeting of the north present in eastham warned
and held at the north meeting house in s^d present on monday the
[illegible] of march 1749/50 at 2 of the clock in the after
noon there was voted [illegible] to chouse a present
clerk and a present treasurer and all other present offesors as
the law directs for the insuing year

present Clerk } Thomas Knowles

present treasurer } nathaniel freeman Jr

present assessors } Thomas Snow
Samuel Knowles Jr
Richard Sparrow

present commity } Thomas Snow
Samuel Knowles Jr
Richard Sparrow

Entred pr Thomas Knowles present Clerk

at a generall meeting of the [illegible] precinct in [illegible]
lawfully warned and held at the [illegible] meeting house on
[illegible] on friday the [illegible] day of february clock in the afternoon 1749/50 there was
[illegible] given [illegible] salery and settlement to the
[illegible] for his incouragement in settling
Revrd Mr [illegible] Chever [illegible] the middle parish
in the work of the ministry [illegible]
[illegible] at the time of his settlement in
it was then voted that the Revrd Mr [illegible] should
have the same salary yearly [illegible] as he shall
continue in the [illegible] work of the ministry among us that the
[illegible] it was voted that the Revrd Mr
[illegible] should have upon his settling among us
eight hundred pounds old tenor for his settlement six hundred
and fifty pounds of it to be paid at the time of his settling
[illegible] one hundred and fifty pounds to be paid [illegible]
next it was then voted that [illegible]
the six hundred and fifty pounds settlement that [illegible]
[illegible] to his best [illegible]
[illegible] Mr [illegible] will take it
it was then voted that [illegible] Joseph Doane Esqr
Cornal Samuel [illegible] Samuel Freeman [illegible] John
Freeman Mr Samuel Paine and Thomas Knowles should be a
committy to inform the Revrd Mr [illegible] of what was
voted for his [illegible] to settel in the work of the
ministry among us then this meeting was adjourned to thursday next
at 5 of the clock in the afternoon at this place then met [illegible]
[illegible] the time of the adjournment of this meeting was resumed
and [illegible] voted that the Revrd Mr [illegible] Chever should
have the improvement of all the ministerial plaine lands and
meadow that belongs to the middle parish in Eastham so long
as so Mr Chever shal continue in the work of the ministry
[illegible] next at 3 of
the clock in the after noon at my place to resume then [illegible]
[illegible] Deacon
[illegible] at time and place
[illegible] the present
[illegible] of Deacon John Freeman [illegible]
[illegible] or against whether
[illegible] in Chusing the Revrd
Mr [illegible] for their pastor and minister and the vote
past unanimously in the affirmative ~~then this meeting was~~
[illegible] the above sd Commity to [illegible]
the Revrd [illegible] answer to the Call given
him by the Church and [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] to commonly Received and thought the Reverend Edward Cheneys answer are is as followeth

Eastham March 29 1751 to the South precinct and to the united Church and society in Eastham honoured and beloved — hill

it having pleased [illegible] in his providence about three months ago and after your having been some acquaintance with me and my ministerial labours among you to incline your Church and society to give me an unanimous invitation to settle among you in the office of a gospel minister and for my incouragement there in the present having granted me a setelment and salary which I hope may be a comfort and sufficiency for my support and finding so far as I can learn that the people have been [illegible] the invitation first given me and are still united without opposition towards me and desires of my complianc with there call: on all which I would humbly eye the hand of the grate Disposer of all things and at the same time signifie to this people the gratefull sense I have of there kindness and benevolence Expressed and having taken this important matter into consideration as well as asked your advice and I hope sencearly sought to god for his counsel hear in that the path of Duty might be made plain to me and that I might be inclined to act agreeable thereto I am now at length come to a conclution to give my answer in the affirmative and do comply with your invitation to settle with you in the service of the gospel ministry and do accept of the setelment and salary which you have provided for me and I ask your prayers that I may obtain marcy of the Lord to be faithful and succesfull in the work to which I am called and wishing that Every thing which Respects my setelment in this place may be Conducted by the infinitely wise Counseler who hath done all things well and that grace marcy and peas may be multiplied to you through our Lord Jesus Christ

I subscribe yours in the fellowship of the gospel

Edward Cheney

then the Reverend m^r Edward Cheevers answer was red
by the moderater and then the moderater called for a
voat whether the precinct excepted of the Reverend m^r Edward
Cheevers answer and the voat pased unanemus in the
formetive Recorded per Thomas Knowles precinct Clark

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at a precinct meeting of the ~~south~~ precinct in in Eastham lawfully warned and
held at the ~~[illegible]~~ south meeting house in sd precinct on
tusday the 2d of July 1750 there was voted in sd meeting
to se what is proper in paying the reverend m^r Edward
Cheever his setelment acording to agreement wich
part of the muney that was raise for that use is
hampsheer and other Colenys muney wich will n
answer and also for the precinct to doe what may be thoug
ht proper conserning it and allso to doe what may be thoug
=ht proper in abating of Joshua hopkinses Rates he
professing him self to be a quaker ~~[illegible]~~ and to ues
paying of them samuel Knowles Chosen moderater
for sd meating it was then voated that m^r Ebenezer higge
should be the man to resceive the three hundred poun
that is in Deacon samuel freemans hand that is other Colenys muney and send it
to new hampsheer and lay out in boards and shingels and suc
a lumber as is most benefisial for the precinct and
also that m^r samuel freeman should asist sd higgens
and when sd lumber shall come sd higgens and sd
freeman to deliver to m^r Cheever so much of sd
lumber as he needs and to sell the remainder for the
precincts use and all so for sd higgens and sd freeman
to purchase so much for m^r Cheever at new hampsheer
as he shall order then the moderater called for a voat
whether Joshua hopkins rates should be abated and the
voat pased in the negitive

Recorded ~~per~~ per Thomas Knowles precinct Clark

At a present meating in Eastham Lawfully warned and held
at the [illegible] meating hous in Eastham on munday the 13 of
August 1755 at three of the clock in the afternoon there was
voted in ye affirmative to raise money to support the preaching
worship of god and other necesary Charges arising in ye present
and also to a [illegible] constable for gathering the present rat
the last year and also to [illegible] what is proper a bout Joshua E11
higgins pete he [illegible] to be a [illegible] Samuel Knowls Esqr
chosen moderator for sd meating it was voated to raise one
hundred and sixty pounds Lawful money one half to be paid
in by the las of november next the other half by the last of April
next [illegible] ye same constable should have three [illegible] on the
pound for collecting the present [illegible] the last year if sd
constables pay in and shut up with the present tresurer at or be
fore the last of December next voated that [illegible] higgens
should be the man to procure wood for Mr Croker this year
voated that william Knowles should be the man to procure
the wood for Mr Cheney this present year voated that
the two for sd men namely william Knowles and higgens should
give orders to the present tresurer for payment of sd wood
then a voat was Called whether Joshua higginses name
should be a rased or not and it passed in the negitive
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clark

At a present meeting Lawfully warned and held at the
South meeting hous in Eastham on munday the 22 day of
December 1755 at One of the Clock in the after noon there was
voted in ye affirmative to chose an agent to answer a petission
of Joshua higgins which he gave in to the Court the last
session at [illegible] respecting his present right mr James higgens being
chosen moderator for sd meating and then the meeting was adjourned
[illegible] and then the meeting went on and a voat was Called
whether they would chose an agent on the most [illegible] in the
[illegible] then the present [illegible] of the [illegible] higgins
for an agent to answer the petission of Joshua higgins
respecting his present rights
Recorded pr Thomas Knowles present Clark

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